

# LYNCH MOB RUNS AMUCK AT ROBESON CONCERT



PAUL ROBESON

By Joseph North

PEEKSKILL, N. Y., Aug. 28.—A mob of 300 vandals inflamed by the newspapers and official hysteria ambushed an out-door concert where Paul Robeson was to sing Saturday night, burned a Klan cross, and assaulted hundreds of men, women and children. They shouted "Hitler was okay, only he didn't finish the job." Brandishing clubs and hurling rocks, the mobsters were abetted by Albany and local authorities who knew danger was brewing throughout the week but who refused to adopt a single measure of prevention. On the contrary, some helped to prepare the night's terror. I heard hoodlums shout on the state highway fronting the picnic grounds, "Where's Robeson, let's get Robeson. We'll kill the n—."

Scenes you saw of brownshirts burning books at Nuremberg were reenacted here in the quiet Hudson Valley a few scant miles from the home where Franklin D. Roosevelt lived.

Police, local and state, conveniently absented themselves until most of the damage was done. Some local sheriffs were seen to mingle with the mob while it ran amuck.

**DEWEY KNEW**

Governor Dewey knew about it: his State Attorney General Nathaniel Goldstein knew trouble was in the air days in advance. Local progressives had wired him as long ago as last Wednesday. Herbert Gerlach, leading official of Westchester County, knew about it the same time. He informed the local progressives and the committee that sponsored the affair on behalf of the Harlem Chapter of the Civil Rights Congress that all necessary police protection would be on hand. A cultural organization, People's Artists, sponsored the concert.

Instead, mothers had babies snatched from their arms; some women were shoved into a nearby swimming pool; others were manhandled, their clothes torn from them. Men were bludgeoned by gangs that outnumbered them 10 to one. Fourteen automobiles were overturned, many while their occupants were still inside.

**CROSS BURNED**

A burning cross flared into the night at 8:15 a few yards from the stage. Raging like madmen, the hoodlums made a bonfire of the chairs and fed it with sheets of the music that was to be sung.

It was Hitler Germany all over again. The harm would have been even greater had it not been for the heroic stand of the men and women inside the picnic grounds who had come early.

Four times a courageous group of 42 men, Negro and white, locked arms and resisted the entry of the howling gang that numbered between 300 to 400.

The men inside were protecting the women and children who stood near the platform, about a quarter mile inside the grounds. Howard Fast, the writer, was among the men who held back the gangs. Scheduled to act as master of ceremonies, Fast played a big part in helping to prevent the hoodlums from further harming the women and children.

Most of those trapped inside the picnic grounds were young men and women who had come to help arrange the affair. They included local progressives and others who came from New York City by bus.

**MANY INJURED**

Many of them today are suffering serious injuries, struck by rocks, fists and clubs. But they held back the hoodlums for several hours until the cars of several thousand who came to attend the concert lined up outside the grounds. And until the state police finally—at 10 o'clock—came.

The hoodlums carefully planned their strategy. They began arriving about 7 p.m. The concert was scheduled to begin at 8.

They built a three-foot barricade of large stones about the single entry and exit to the grounds. Jeering, threatening, they prevented cars from entering the grounds;

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## Investigate Mob, Jackie Says

By Bill Mardo

Jackie Robinson, from his bench in the Brooklyn Dodger dugout yesterday afternoon bitterly blasted the fascist-inspired mob riot at Peekskill.

"Paul Robeson should have the right to sing, speak or do anything he wants to," said the Dodgers' Negro ace, who hadn't heard of the Peekskill riot until handed a newspaper report by this writer.

After reading slowly and carefully every word of the story, Robinson put the paper down and said angrily, "Those mobs make it tough on everyone."

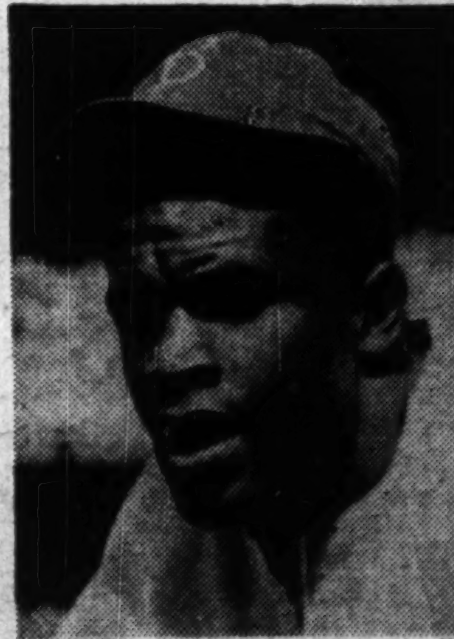
"It's Robeson's right to do or be or say as he believes. They say here in America you're allowed to be whatever you want."

"I think those rioters ought to be investigated and let's find out if what they did is supposed to be the democratic way of doing things."

The newspaper version, was heavily larded with the usual red-baiting.

Observing that Communism wasn't the issue in what happened at Peekskill, Robinson added: "Anyway, Communism isn't outlawed in the U. S. If Mr. Robeson wants to believe in Communism, that's his right. I prefer not to," Robinson sighed.

"Anything progressive is called Communism."



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# ALP Files Plea To Impeach Judge Medina

Arthur Schutzer, ALP state executive secretary, announced yesterday he had filed with Rep. Emanuel Celler, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, a petition seeking the impeachment of Federal Judge Harold R. Medina for "deliberate violation of constitutional guarantees in his conduct of the trial of the 11 leaders of the Communist Party."

In his petition, Schutzer alleged that under the Constitution, Federal judges hold office only "during good behavior" and that "Judge Medina has rendered himself subject to immediate impeachment on four separate grounds."

The ALP spokesman set forth the following four allegations "of gross judicial misconduct committed knowingly and deliberately by Judge Medina:"

1. Jailing three of the defendants (Henry Winston, Gus Hall and Gilbert Green) for a vindictive, indefinite term of as long as the trial lasts, thus depriving them of their important right to consult freely and fully with their counsel in defending themselves against the unconstitutional indictments.

2. Failing to dismiss a juror, Russell Janney, in the face of persuasive evidence that said juror has demonstrated bias, prejudice and prejudging of the defendants both prior to his selection as a juror and during the trial itself.

3. Issuing statements designed to intimidate public protest against judicial tyranny or misconduct, and seeking to establish the un-American principle that judges, unlike the executive and legislative branches of government, are immune from criticism for their official acts.

4. Denying the right of defense counsel to introduce relevant testimony at the trial, dictation to defense counsel concerning the manner and nature of proof and cross-

## Israel Willing To Aid Jordan Development

TEL AVIV, Israel, Aug. 28 (UP). — Israeli foreign minister Moshe Sharret said today his government was willing to sponsor joint development schemes in the Middle East in cooperation with neighboring Arab states.

Sharret made the statement in an interview with the United Press. It was the first such survey he has made public since establishment of the new state.

# 17,500 Rubber Workers Strike

AKRON, Aug. 28.—The Goodrich Rubber Co. division of the United Rubber Workers took the lead in the fourth round wage fight here yesterday when 17,500 workers employed at the company's seven plants walked out.

The walkout, for a 25-cent hourly raise, a \$100 monthly pension and other demands, exploded as fruitless negotiations between international union officers and company representative were still on at Dayton.

The backbone of the walkout is the 13,000-member Local 5 in the Akron Goodrich plant, of which

examination, and repeated utterances from the bench indicating unjudicial bias.

The ALP further announced that it has called upon the newly appointed Attorney-General J. Howard McGrath to "move for the dismissal of the indictments as an essential step in safeguarding the democratic freedoms of the American people."

## GM Take \$166 Million -- Lets Workers Keep It

By William Allan

DETROIT, Aug. 28.—General Motors workers were being told today by the local newspapers how lucky they were not to get another wage cut. The drop in the Bureau of Labor Statistics price index to 168.5 is not enough to merit a one cent cut. It would have to fall a complete point, which according to BLS it hasn't.

GM workers have taken two wage cuts this year, totaling 3 cents an hour, because their wages were tied to BLS figures under the Reuther escalator clause.

### G-M PROFITS SOAR

General Motors corporation's Second quarterly report that showed net income (profits after taxes) to be \$166,815,305. The same quarter in 1948 showed \$110,282,260.

Net profits for GM in the first six months of 1949 amounted to the all time high of \$303,678,643, compared with \$206,763,672 for the first six months of 1948.

Crysler, which refuses its 78,000 workers a wage increase, ogined \$60,000,000 in profits the first six months of this year.

Ford, which is reported by UAW leaders as making \$140,000,000 in 1948, also refuses any wage increase, pensions or health insurance benefits.

Speedup is roaring down the assembly lines of GM plants, working on the new \$1,800 Buick and the new Chevrolet.

Production workers at the GM plant in St. Louis have voted 87½ per cent for strike action because of the speedup.

Meanwhile GM workers here and in Flint were beginning moves to abolish the wage cutting escalator clause and set up a wage demand to join with Ford and Chrysler workers in a united front of the big three.

George Bass is the president. It is Bass who led the fight upon ousted international president L. S. Buckmaster for a fourth-round wage fight.

The negotiations at Dayton were headed by H. R. Lloyd, URW president. Lloyd said that far from agreeing to any demands, the company wanted to tie the union to a no-strike policy that would have made it responsible even for provocations of non-union members. Also demanded by the company was a series of Taft-Hartley type provisions in the contract that would have given it unilateral dis-

## Metal Workers Set For Strike in Finland

HELSINKI, Aug. 28.—Metal workers prepared today to join Finland's general strike wave.

Top union officials have refused to approve a metal-industry walk-out, but many locals have decided to strike tomorrow morning.

## East Side Rally Of 500 Cheers Hendrix Couple

Five hundred residents of the East Side, predominantly from Stuyvesant Town, welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Hardine Hendrix to the East Side Thursday night, at Central Plaza, at a reception tendered in their honor by the East Side Tenant Councils.

Dora Shaw, an organizer of Local 65, the union in which Jesse Kessler, host to the Hendrix couple is an organizer, presented Mrs. Kessler and Mrs. Hendrix with bouquets.

Paul Ross spoke as chairman of the N. Y. Tenants Council and Chairman of the Tenants Committee to End Discrimination in Stuyvesant Town.

Melborne Mitchell, of the Civil Rights Congress, read two telegrams, one to Mayor O'Dwyer demanding he revoke the tax exemption granted to Met Life, and the other to Met Life demanding they admit Negroes to Stuyvesant Town.

Also speaking were Rabbi Isaiah Xeldin of the East End Temple; James E. Allen of the NAACP; Nathan M. Padgug, of the American Jewish Congress, and Ivan Wohlworth, resident of Stuyvesant Town and chairman of the 4 No. ALP Club.

and a right to schedule work to its own liking.

Lloyd said the company refused to bargain seriously on the wage demand, despite the fact that Goodrich is the most prosperous company in the industry. He added that "it appears from the company's attitude that the negotiations are not controlled by the company itself. It is influenced by a policy of industry generally, to refuse to restore the purchasing power of the workers."

While picketing is keeping the Goodrich plants shut, negotiators disciplinary power over the workers are scheduled to resume talks at

# Dollar Squeeze On Britain Marks Monetary Talks

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—The real issue to be decided in the British-American economics talks, which began here yesterday, is whether the 'Labor' government is willing to create conditions favorable to large-scale investment by U. S. capitalists.

If the Truman Administration gets the guarantees it wants, undoubtedly it will channel billions of dollars of private capital into British-owned industry, both in England and in the empire.

A natural consequence of this, of course, would be that Wall Street would more and more dominate areas which are now the happy hunting ground of British capitalists, including the British homeland.

There is as yet no indication that the English are prepared to accept such a solution to their dollar crisis. But as preliminary conversations opened, it appeared the British negotiators were fully aware of the American objectives.

### PUBLIC PROPOSALS

The tentative proposals put forward publicly by both sides, of course, only hint at the real issue. Unidentified spokesmen for London have let it be known that they will ask for very little, mentioning such indecisive requests as:

1. A permanent US-UK council to work out long-range currency and exchange solutions.
2. A larger share of ECA funds.
3. More latitude for Britain in spending dollars.
4. A few minor reductions in U. S. tariffs and less customs red tape.
5. The right, despite US-UK trade agreements, to set quotas discriminating against imports of certain US products.

### HINTS BY U. S.

Treasury Secretary John Snyder, who heads the U. S. team in the talks, has been reticent as to what this government will propose. But off-the-record hints suggest the U. S. will dangle, as the original bait, the following:

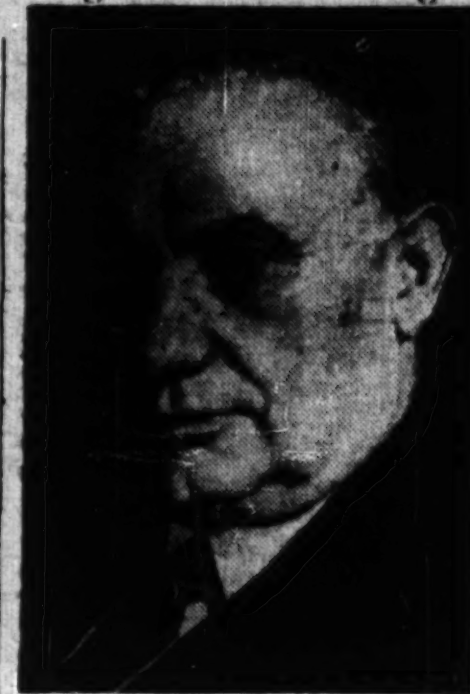
1. Increased U. S. expenditures for jute, rubber, tin, etc., for war stockpiles.
2. Some tariff modifications.
3. U. S. support for World Bank loans for specific colonial projects.
4. U. S. private investment, under Truman's point four, in Africa and the Middle East, from which London presumably would draw dollars.

It would be nonsense, however, to believe that the British would send men of cabinet rank to discuss such inconsequential issues.

If they are mentioned at all, it will be purely in the jockeying for position.

### PRESS CAMPAIGN

The heart of the debate has already been indicated by editorials and articles in the American capitalist press. Notable among these



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were the articles by E. T. Leech in the Scripps-Howard papers, painting a woeful picture of what happens to a country under a 'labor' government. Nationalization of the coal and railroad industries is stigmatized as socialism. Social security and health insurance measures are denounced as the root of the evil. The point is made that business cannot prosper under such "unjust" taxation.

The Washington Star on Saturday, in an editorial entitled "What Britain Must Do," said the British standard of living must be lowered.

"Instead of wage increases there may have to be wage cuts. The British workman may have to work longer and harder," said the Star.

The demands raised in this newspaper campaign will undoubtedly be placed before the British negotiators, but probably not until Foreign Minister Bevin and Chancellor of the Exchequer Cripps arrive Sept. 7.

The British, on the other hand, know the Truman Administration needs England as a partner in the cold war against the Soviet Union. They will exploit this in an effort to save their empire for their own capitalists.

## GI Insurance Applications Issued Today

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28 (UP).

—Tomorrow is "D-Day" for 16,000,000 World War II veterans when application forms will be issued for the long-overdue \$2,800,000,000 dividend on GI insurance which will be paid, starting next January.

Application forms will be made available at all postoffices and regional offices of veterans organizations and the VA.

To be eligible, a veteran must have taken out a national service life insurance policy before Jan. 1, 1948, and paid premiums for at least three months. It makes no difference whether the policy has lapsed or not.

## State CIO to Open Convention Sept. 8

The annual convention of the New York State CIO will open Sept. 8 at Convention Hall, Saratoga Springs, it was announced yesterday.



# Robeson Brands Riot as Fascist Violence; Asks Probe by Dewey, FBI

## CP LAYS PEEKSKILL RIOT TO BI-PARTISANS

The mob attack in Peekskill was inspired by the "Truman-Dewey bipartisan promoters of Wall Street's world domination," it was declared yesterday by the national committee of the Communist Party. The committee's statement follows:

On Saturday night, fascist reaction seized power in Peekskill, N. Y. The forces nurtured by Big Business profiteers and encouraged by the Truman-Dewey bipartisan promoters of Wall Street's world domination established a reign of terror. Neither women nor children were spared bestial force and violence. Negroes and Jews were singled out for insult and brutal assault, but other Americans did not escape the same fate.

The flames from Hitler's book-burnings were no more sinister than those lit from the books and musical scores burned in Lakeland Acres. At this lynching-pee, planned for Paul Robeson, the Westchester sky glowed with the



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same fiery cross lighted by the KKK in Dixiecrat-land.

Saturday night the American people saw the kind of America, Wall Street breeds — and Paul Robeson hates.

They saw the fruits of the Truman-bipartisan policies. This is the measure of the Administration and Congress' betrayal of the heritage of Jefferson, Lincoln and FDR.

CAREFULLY PLANNED

This fascist act of force and violence was carefully planned and executed. President Truman's ap-

Supreme Court gave the go-ahead signal for vigilante violence against anybody on the "subversive list." The hoodlums and their leaders from the Legion and Catholic War Veterans only carried this policy to its logical conclusion.

The Dewey-GOP machine, and the Westchester authorities, gave a conniving wink. Judge Medina's kangaroo "justice" in Foley Square offered assurance that the "right" judge will protect such perpetrators of force and violence.

The North Atlantic Pact and MAP, authorizing atomic war against the world peace forces, made the great peace leader Paul Robeson a natural target for this assault on the whole American peace movement.

The National Committee of the Communist Party calls on all Americans who don't want the kind of America we saw in Peekskill Saturday night to put aside all political differences and unite

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By George Morris

Paul Robeson yesterday branded the attack upon the Peekskill concert as "clear fascist terror" and demanded that both Governor Dewey and the Department of Justice investigate.

"It's pretty clear who uses force and violence," Robeson told a press conference at the Hotel Capitol, after describing the cross-burning at the Peekskill picnic grounds and the American Legion-led parade that blocked entrance to the grounds.

He himself, said Robeson, was unable to get into the concert grounds when he arrived at 9:45 p.m. Saturday night for his scheduled 10 p.m. appearance. There were still no police at that hour, he said, so he drove off with friends.

Informed that plans are under way for another concert in the same vicinity of Westchester County, and asked if he would sing, Robeson answered:

"I should hope so: I presume by that time the American people will be ready to give us protection."

Arthur Schutzes, executive secretary of the American Labor Party, also announced that the ALP plans a meeting in the same area with Rep. Vito Marcantonio, its mayoralty candidate here, as the speaker.

### MARK OF FASCISM

Robeson cited the anti-Semitism and Negro-hating of the hoodlum element that mobbed the concert grounds.

"That's the mark of fascism," he said.

The attack was in the first place upon the peace forces, he stressed. He was singled out primarily because of his peace stand as ex-

### Howard Fast's Eye-Witness Account of Peekskill Riot in Tomorrow's Issue.

### Hundreds Treated For Injuries

Hundreds injured by the mobsters who assaulted the Robeson concert near Peekskill are being treated at their homes. The following were listed by the Peekskill Hospital as suffering injuries: William Bybel, of Harmon, cerebral concussion; William Secor, of Shrub Oak, a stab wound; J. Moran; Samuel Asbury, of New York; Don Lopez, of New York; Mrs. Jean Salti, of New York; Michael Salti, of New York, and William Lewis, of Harlem. Four of these are Negroes.

Aaron Kramer, of Queens, brought Bybel to the Peekskill Hospital. Kramer reports that Dr. Frederick Raush, of Lake Mohogian, said, "If he was a Communist, he doesn't deserve protection." Bybel said he was a railroad worker who came to hear Robeson sing.

pressed at the recent Paris conference for peace, he added.

Robson denounced the way the press distorted his statements in Europe to make them sound as if he refused to be loyal to America.

"Behind these few KKK and Legion elements are some very powerful forces—the 1 percent who own 60 percent of the wealth . . . the Du Ponts, Harrimans and those fellows.

"They happen to be ones who call the turn today. Only they are the possible aggressors. Only they want war, not the American people.

"I will be no part of loyalty to this kind of America."

His loyalty goes to the "Amer-

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## N. Y. Communists Give Plan for People's Fights

The New York state committee of the Communist Party yesterday urged immediate steps by all citizens to get President Truman and Gov. Dewey to take immediate action

against those responsible for the violence against Paul Robeson and the audience that came to hear him at Peekskill, N. Y. The statement said:

All democracy and peace-loving Americans must recognize that there is no middle ground, no neutral area, no point of conciliation between Truman's cold-war, watch hunt policies and the peaceful democratic aspirations of the majority of our people.

"Failure to stand up against the bi-partisan policy of promoting war and fascism can only give encouragement to the American fascists who demonstrated their program for all to see in Peekskill.

Non-Communist and Communist must unite to defeat this growing wave of terror.

Every trade union, fraternal,

## Oust Responsible Officials: Says Marc

Rep. Vito Marcantonio, American Labor Party State chairman, charged yesterday that "the attack Saturday in Peekskill upon the Paul Robeson concert of the Harlem Civil

Rights Congress was organized with the direct knowledge and aid of Westchester County clerk Robert J. Field and Assistant District Attorney Leonard Rubinfeld."

Marcantonio called upon Gov. Dewey "to oust the two public officials forthwith and to act to insure the right of peaceful assembly."

He further charged that "although District Attorney George M. Faneli and County Executive Herbert C. Gerlach had been notified in advance of the threat of organized interference with the peaceful concert, neither of these public officials took the necessary

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church, cultural and community organization must deluge the government authorities responsible with telegrams, letters, delegations.

The New York State Committee of the Communist Party urges that every organization and individual demand that:

1. The Truman Administration order the Department of Justice to prosecute and convict the Assistant District Attorney of Westchester County and the other leaders of the violence under the Federal Civil Rights Statute.

2. Governor Dewey order the investigation of the role of the State Police and the prosecution of those involved. The people hold Gov. Dewey responsible for any failure to guarantee the lives and property of democratic citizens of Westchester.

3. Governor Dewey immediately outlaw the rapidly reviving Ku Klux Klan in New York and print the names of KKK members.

4. Governor Dewey use his powers to remove the Assistant District Attorney of Westchester County and suspend the head of the State police pending investigation.

"This Hitlerian hooliganism," the

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## CRC Blames Clark; Urges Arrest of Rioters

Responsibility for the anti-Negro violence at Peekskill, New York was placed directly upon newly-appointed Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark by William L. Patterson, executive secretary of the Civil Rights Congress.

Patterson pointed out that not a single arrest was made by the police in spite of the fact that the leaders of the hoodlums were known. "One of the terrorists, Stephen Yarema," he said, "is reported in the press as having boasted of the 'success' of the planned violence. The Civil Rights Congress demands the arrest of Yarems, John Zimmer, Cyril McDermott, Robert J. Field, and the other stormtrooper leaders who incited to violence."

"The responsibility for the lynching-pee at Peekskill aimed at Paul Robeson and those who came to hear him may be traced directly to ex-Attorney General Tom Clark, now so shamefully elevated to the Supreme Court bench, to the Un-American Committee, and to the Truman administration," he stated.

"Their attacks on the civil liberties of the people, the 'heresy trial' at Foley Square, the publication of so-called 'subversive' lists of organizations, their campaign of hatred against Paul Robeson, outstanding leader of the Negro people—have openly incited hoodlums and Klansmen to violence.

"The Civil Rights Congress is

calling on Gov. Dewey to act—by deeds not words and sham investigations—to act against the Klansmen who hide behind the facade of veterans' organizations, against the Mayor of Peekskill, against the police officials. We demand arrests and prosecutions. We charge collusion between the officials and the hoodlums. Law and order must be maintained in our state. The rights of citizens peaceably to assembly must be protected."



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# Samuel Sillen's 'Interest' in Trial of 12

Samuel Sillen, editor of *Masses & Mainstream*, last week gave a stirring account, from the witness stand at the Foley Square trial, why he was interested in the outcome of the trial. Following is the record of this part of Dr. Sillen's testimony:

Q. What is your interest in this case, Dr. Sillen?

A. Well, it is a many-sided interest: First of all, as a student of American literature, which is my special field of study and interest, I am very deeply aware of the fact that when ideas are under prosecution, literature is threatened. I know that in the history of our country books which are now regarded as great books, as profound additions to our culture and to our tradition, were banned, censored or attacked. I know that the great Abolitionist writers like Whittier and Thoreau and Emerson were severely persecuted for championing ideas which at the time were unpopular with the slave owners and with the people in the North in support of the slave owners.

I know that Thoreau, whom I have deeply studied and whom I deeply honor as a great American, stood up in Concord and spoke for John Brown, when the newspapers in the country were trying to howl down John Brown.

Every instinct and feeling that I have as an American, as one born and raised and taught in this country, rouses me to object to the prosecution of ideas, of advocacy. And since, as I have studied the indictment, and since there is no act charged but advocacy, ideas, I naturally feel a profound interest in this trial, and I associate my magazine with the defense in this trial.

I have a special reason too: It is my profound conviction that a verdict of guilty in this trial would mean that I could not edit a magazine which is a Marxist magazine, which supports Marxist principles; and I feel, therefore, that not only my magazine but other magazines are challenged here; and I, for one, make no secret of the fact that I desire with every ounce of strength at my command to tell

people about the real issues in this trial and to ask them to work together to help prevent the kind of persecution of ideas which I believe is involved here.

I further have a special interest in this trial as a Jew. I feel that fascism is involved here. I became a member of the Communist Party in 1936 because I saw, as a writer, that books were being burned; I saw that Jews were being tortured, and at that time I dedicated my entire life as an American, as a writer, as a Jew, to the fight against any expression of fascist tendencies.

I am deeply devoted to the Bill of Rights, to our Constitution, to our tradition. I resent it very deeply when people tell me because I am a Communist I am un-American; I am an enemy of democracy. I resent that with every fibre of my being, just as I would resent anybody's telling these people that they were bad Americans because they were not Communists.

I think that in this country we must continue to have an exchange of ideas, a freedom to speak, to

write, to think, to express. All of this is involved in my feelings about this trial.

And it seems to me also that the whole meaning of the life of my family is involved here. My children are being persecuted, children nine and seven, because their daddy is a Communist. Is this the kind of America that they must grow up in? Is it right that people should be attacked, including children, because of association with people who may not have ideas that the majority of people at the moment agree with?

Your Honor—  
THE COURT: If you need another half-hour you may go on.

THE WITNESS: Your Honor, I speak this way because everything—

THE COURT: We have had quite a number of speeches and one more won't do us any harm.

THE WITNESS: — because everything that I value, and I think that my fellow American value, is involved in this trial.

MR. GLADSTEIN: Thank you, Dr. Sillen



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## Journalist Blames Press

DARBY, Penna. — Thomas W. Swan, one of the founders of the *Philadelphia Tribune* and a veteran newspaperman said:

"What happened at Peekskill yesterday is a disgrace to America. If the press would get out from behind its iron curtain of partial sympathy with such outbreaks, there would be less of them."

# FBI Set in Motion to Cover Up Juror Bias

(Reprinted from the late edition of *The Worker*)

By Harry Raymond

The Department of Justice was active over the weekend in an attempt to cover up grave charges that theatrical producer Russell Janney, juror in the trial of the national Communist leaders, had publicly voiced violent prejudice against the defendants.

As the trial proceeded Friday, following Judge Harold R. Medina's brusque denial the day before of a defense mistrial motion, and his refusal to remove juror Janney, who had called for a "fight to death" against Communism, agents of the FBI were known to be rampaging throughout the city in an attempt to terrorize persons responsible for exposure of the juror's bias.

The story of the FBI efforts to protect the talkative Janney from a judicial inquiry and block criminal and impeachment proceedings, which the defense demanded be launched against Prosecutor John F. X. McGohey, was leaked to the press from Federal offices by officials who declined to be quoted.

FBI agents, according to press reporters, have already visited actress-singer Miss Carol E. Nathanson. Her 89 pages of written notes quoting Janney's anti-Communist remarks were offered by the defense as part of the proof of Janney's unfitness for jury service.

Two defense witnesses were on the stand during Friday's half-day session of the trial. They were Edward E. Strong, Philadelphia Communist Party chairman, and Max Weiss, the Party's mid-west regional coordinator.

Strong told the jury he made a report, as a member of the Party's Negro Commission, to a Communist Party national committee meeting December, 1946. This meeting, he said, was called to discuss the Party's position on the Negro question.

Among those who delivered reports at the meeting, the witness said, were Eugene Dennis, William Z. Foster, Councilman Benjamin J. Davis and Abner Berry.

Attorney Richard Gladstein sought to elicit from Strong the contents of his report, which he said set forth the Party's position on the Negro question. Strong identified a copy of the report, but it was ruled out of evidence.

Judge Medina gagged the witness, forbidding him to offer any evidence in rebuttal of William Nowell and William Cummings, FBI informers, on the Party's slogan, "Self Determination for the Negro People in the Black Belt."

## Queens Bus Strikers To Step Up Picketing

Triboro Coach Co. strikers prepared to strengthen picket lines along the routes of the paralyzed company's lines as Mayor O'Dwyer's Board of Transportation promised to have 15 scab-driven city buses in operation.

There were no new developments in the stalemated efforts to bring an agreement. The strike broke out when the 300 workers of the company voted down the "settlement" made by Michael Quill, president of the Transport Workers Union.

The Mayor's plans to service the line fully with city buses blew up



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steps to prevent the attack on the gathering.

The ALP leader declared that "the violence in Peekskill Saturday reflects the pattern of suppression of civil rights by the Truman Administration through loyalty orders, the thought control trial of the leaders of the Communist Party, and the attempt to make it a crime for the people to speak out for peace."

He asserted that "the people will not be intimidated out of their basic civil rights," and announced that he would speak at an ALP rally to be held Friday evening at the Mohegan Colony School grounds which are located a few miles from the scene of Saturday's attack.

### COUNTY ALP PROTESTS

The ALP N.Y. County organization yesterday sent telegrams of protest to the Mayor of Peekskill and to Gov. Dewey.

Daniel Allen, administrator of the N.Y. County ALP, termed the Peekskill attack an extension of the outbreak of violence against the

Negro and Puerto Rican people in New York City.

"The failure of New York City officials to apprehend similar attacks against the Negro people by hoodlum fascist elements is a direct cause of this outbreak in Peekskill," he said.

"I urge every decent citizen to attend the rally at Manhattan Center Thursday to hear Paul Robeson tell the story of the attack. The meeting, which is the first major ALP rally of the campaign, will hear as its principal speaker Vito Marcantonio, ALP candidate for Mayor."

"The N. Y. County ALP has urged every club to send telegrams of protest against this outrage and to attend the rally to express their support of the cause for which Paul Robeson is the symbol."

Arthur Schutzer, state ALP executive secretary, sent the following wire to Gov. Dewey:

"Meeting is being held at 5 p.m. today in Katonah, N.Y., to protest organized assault upon Paul Robeson concert in Peekskill Saturday. Request immediate action by you to insure the right of peaceful assembly and to prevent repetition of attack at today's meeting."

## They Contribute to Defend Themselves

A writer adds his weekly contribution of \$1 to the growing list of those who have seconded Ben Gold's "motion" to help the defense of the Communist leaders now on trial. His letter follows:

Dear Brother Gold:

I have been requested to send the enclosed contribution of \$1 in response to your motion for weekly pledges for the defense of the 12 Communist Party leaders on trial at Foley Square. This is the first of a pledged weekly contribution in the same amount.

The contributor is an intellectual worker who sees in the outrages being perpetrated at Foley Square an attack upon the civil rights of all the people and of peoples organizations. Particularly horrified at the railroading to jail of Henry Winston, Gus Hall, Gil Green and Johnny Gates (the judge has a name for it—"remanded for the duration") this intellectual worker is convinced that the number one task of all honest freedom-loving and peace-loving people is the freeing of the three remaining victims of Medina's arbitrary, unconstitutional and arrogant rulings. If one judge is allowed to get away with such decisions, other judges will find hair-splitting technical reasons for subverting the rights of any person

or group the reactionaries name as opposed to their imperialist and fascist designs.

May the Ben Gold Motion Fund grow. The writer pledges a dollar a week in addition to the pledge already mentioned and he will make every attempt to obtain contributions from others.

Fraternally,

GEORGE HICKERSON.

PHILADELPHIA

Dear Ben:

Enclosed please find two weeks contributions from the Food and Tobacco workers in the Philadelphia area, amounting to \$20.

Comradely,

J. K.

Peabody, Mass.

Dear Ben Gold:

Realizing the threat to democracy which faces the U. S. today, at Foley Square, and the hardships that the defendants must endure, we feel that the least we can do is to contribute funds to this most important cause.

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Sincerely,

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## REPORT ON THE UNEMPLOYED—NO. 1:

## Newlyweds' Dream Fades to 'Coffee and--'

By Joseph North

[Six million are jobless in America today; more than 700,000 in New York state alone. Another 10 million work part-time. Despite laborious concealment by the press and government, the lengthening lines of the jobless are breaking through the curtain of silence. But, to date, their true status is generally concealed: the critical plight of millions is hidden. A truly honest press would uncover thousands, probably millions of cases such as this tragic story of the hungry man in the U. S. Army uniform.—The editors.]

The statistics say 700,000 are jobless in the Empire State, but figures are mute, a blurred shorthand to life. The jobless ex-soldier in khaki who had pawned all his civilian clothes last week to get some groceries for himself and his pregnant wife talked for an hour, and what he said made those statistics leap to life.

It is a dark, tragic story, and as I listened August, 1949, began to sound like August, 1930. True, the dismal alley-towns of Hooverville do not dot the country, the shame of American capitalism isn't naked to the eye, but the shattered lives are piling up.

## TIME'S UP

True, the hard-earned victory of jobless insurance has cushioned some of the shock. But it is far from enough "and grows less adequate daily. At this moment, added thousands are walking the streets whose jobless checks have stopped. "Time's up." Savings have shrunk to zero for millions. Friends, relatives who lent a hand are in the same fix themselves. New thousands join the jobless every day, and the lists of part-time workers mount.

In New York, Welfare so-called Commissioner Hilliard is proud of his "get tough" policies. The false cry of "chiselers" has been raised in the gluttonous press that is bestial in its disregard of human welfare.

But walk the streets where the poor live. Talk to them in the compensation offices and relief headquarters.

## LIVING STANDARDS

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Street scene in the 1930's. Are those days here again?

but you encounter more cases of malnutrition than ever—particularly among Puerto Rican and Negro families. Entire families are desperately in plight: more are descending into the ranks of those who don't know where the next meal will come from.

I talked to many who need shoes but can't get them; to others who have no idea where they'll get warm clothes for the children returning to school, for the winter.

And you find more than a few who don't know where the next dime is coming from for carfare to seek work. As former private in the United States Army Carlos Feliu will tell you.

Feliu lives in one-room—"a bed and two chairs"—at 33 West 84th St. Twenty-six, lean and dark, his glowing black eyes sunk into his handsome face, he came out of the army last March.

"I didn't know the bottom would drop out of my life then," he said, "so I married. My wife is three months pregnant."

## A YOUTH'S DREAMS

Not so long ago Feliu had bright dreams: he attended a trade school during the war at General Electric, in Bridgeport, where he worked

for seven years. "I learned to be a set-up man, that is, a tool-setter."

He figured he would get a job, buy a little house, rear a family. The common dream of America's youth. That was early this year. "I figured things were tight, but would loosen up. They got worse."

Since March he has lost 24 pounds, came down from 144 to 120.

Yesterday, when Carlos went out to hunt work, he left his wife a single dime so she could at least have coffee. "Most restaurants now," he said ruefully, "charge a dime for coffee when you don't get anything with it."

He had seven cents on him, and walked 56 blocks to a corner where he could still get a bus car that.

He has made the endless round of employment offices, up and down Manhattan, but hundreds are there with me.

They're in the same boat, he said. "Maybe some a little different. Maybe some still have a friend or relative they can borrow a few bucks from."

The poor rely upon the poor. Feliu's last borrowed dollar came from a friend who's "in the same

## COAST DOCK PARLEY HAILS WORLD MARITIME BODY

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—

The longshore, clerks and walking boss caucus of the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's winding up its three day meeting here endorsed the formation of the Maritime Federation of the World and congratulated ILWU president Harry Bridges for his part in its formation and upon his election as its president.

The caucus, composed of more than 80 delegates from locals of the West Coast United States and Canada also approved the report of ILWU secretary-treasurer Louis Goldblatt and John Maletta of Seattle, delegates to the conference in Marseille, France, last month where the MFW was formed, and adopted their recommendations that the Congress of Industrial Organizations be requested to re-affiliate with the World Federation of Trade Unions. If the CIO does not re-affiliate, the caucus voted to ask special dispensation for maritime unions to affiliate with the MFW.

"The rank and file maritime workers down through the years have learned the hard way," said the resolution, "that only through unity and joint action can the

welfare and working conditions of the longshoremen, seamen and harbor workers be maintained and bettered."

An amendment offered by President James Kearney of Local 10, which called for a referendum vote on the question of affiliation with the so-called Geneva Free Labor Federation recently set up with the AFL, CIO and United Mine Workers participating, was referred to the officers for further study.

The caucus voted to authorize the longshore negotiating committee to do all it could to gain pensions for longshoremen in the coming Sept. 30 wage review under the coast longshore agreement. A committee is to be established to work out its details and a special caucus will follow.

The delegates also passed a resolution condemning the federal frame up indictments against Bridges and two other officials, first vice president J. R. Robertson and international representative Henry Schmidt.

The resolution was introduced by all 20 members of the San Francisco Local 10 delegation and was unanimously adopted.

fix I'm in." The friend has two children, and so Feliu hasn't asked anything for seven weeks" he said, bursting into laughter in his desperation.

## NO JOBLESS PAY

His story is not untypical, doubtless the story of many hundred thousands. He is not eligible for jobless compensation for one of the myriad of reasons the rich who control relief have thought up.

The first shock of unemployment had hit Bridgeport a year or so ago where he worked then, and he hasn't enough "previous income" to help him get insurance. Walking the streets then, for work, a single man, footloose, he did what thousands of young Americans did: signed up for a year's hitch in the Army.

Now, mustered out, no job. No jobless compensation. No 52-20. Dead broke.

For days on end he has had a cup of coffee and a bowl of soup. Many days not even that.

Desperate, overcoming the common repugnance of going on relief—"They call you a bum when you do"—he went to the Welfare headquarters at 157 East 87th St., third floor, last Friday.

## TOLD TO WAIT

"They told me I couldn't get

"Seven weeks!"

"I was there half the day, waiting my turn in line. It was jammed in there from door to door."

"Four people fainted while I was there. They called the ambulance and took them away."

He asked me why I thought they had fainted. "I know," he said, "Malnutrition."

Then he spoke of his wife: "She was pretty as a movie actress," he said. "But malnutrition's hit her. Malnutrition," he repeated. "Now her face is skin and bones, it has blotches on it from hunger."

He stopped talking, covered his face with his hand.

It is not good to be a reporter sometimes, prying into people's lives. When he looked up, embarrassed, glancing away, his eyes were wet.

"Now the baby's coming. To what?" he asked. "I can't feed the wife and myself."

This isn't the end of Feliu's story. Wednesday's article will tell what he and others like him resolved to do.

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# Acheson Gets A New Ally

SAN FRANCISCO

By Adam Lapin

Columnist for the People's World

**DO YOU KNOW** why the State Department has okayed the purchase of a \$3 million steel plant by the Tito government in Yugoslavia? It is because the Yugoslav government alone of all the new democracies in Eastern Europe is moving surely and irresistibly to socialism and adheres to the principles of Marxism-Leninism.

This, Tito would have us believe, is the reason the United States is now flirting with Yugoslavia, offering not only steel mills, but arms and at least an indirect place in the Western anti-Soviet alliance.

And this is the explanation Tito is giving the Yugoslav people for his betrayal of socialism and his increasingly close alliance with the guardians of world reaction in Washington.

**FOR EXAMPLE**, in his speech inviting Bulgaria and Albania to overthrow their governments

Joseph Starobin's column, 'Around the Globe,' will be resumed when he returns from vacation.

and thus open the Balkans to full-scale American intervention, Tito again mouthed Socialist phrases stating that the Yugoslav people "will never be turned away from their socialistic path."

And in the same speech he said that the repeated charges by the Communist Information Bureau and by the democratic Greek guerillas that they have been attacked by Yugoslav troops are "nothing but the throwing of dust into the entire world in order to mask their dirty plan for the liquidation of the democratic movement in Greece."

It seems almost indisputable that there have been border clashes between the Yugoslav Army and the Greek guerillas. And in any case, Tito cannot deny he has closed the borders to Greek anti-fascists. They cannot now find refuge in Yugoslavia or obtain foodstuffs or supplies there. This is not a matter of conjecture. It has been officially announced by Tito's foreign office.

If you listen to Tito's pronouncements, however, it is not his government which has betrayed the cause of Greek democracy, but the Greek guerillas fighting desperately against an army equipped by the United States and led by American officers.

**AND HE** uses the same kind of argumentation to attempt to convince the Yugoslav people that he and his government are the bona fide advocates of socialism while the Soviet Union and the other Eastern European governments have turned their backs on democracy and progress.

If the rationalization seems woefully flimsy, the fact remains that it has nonetheless served to convince many Yugoslavs who would not for a moment tolerate an outright reactionary regime.

Of course, the propaganda is reinforced with a stringent terror and imprisonment of thousands. But Tito's fundamental usefulness to the State Department lies in his ability to disrupt and weaken the democratic camp from within by his professed advocacy of socialism and his criticism of the Soviet Union from the left.

**NOW THE** State Department strategists are relying not only on the outright reactionaries and fascists in Germany and Spain and Portugal and the obvious sell-out artists of Social Democracy in Britain and France, but the more veiled and presumably leftist agents of imperialists, like Tito.

This has been the time-honored role of Trotskyism, beginning as a leftist departure from Marxism which masks its retreat from socialism with ultra-revolutionary phrases and winding up with outright treachery and cooperation with fascism.

For example, the Trotskyite Militant has defended the appearance of Ruth Fischer as a witness against her brother, Gerhart Eisler, before the Un-American Committee and has revealed that Trotsky himself planned to be a Dies Committee witness just before his death in Mexico.

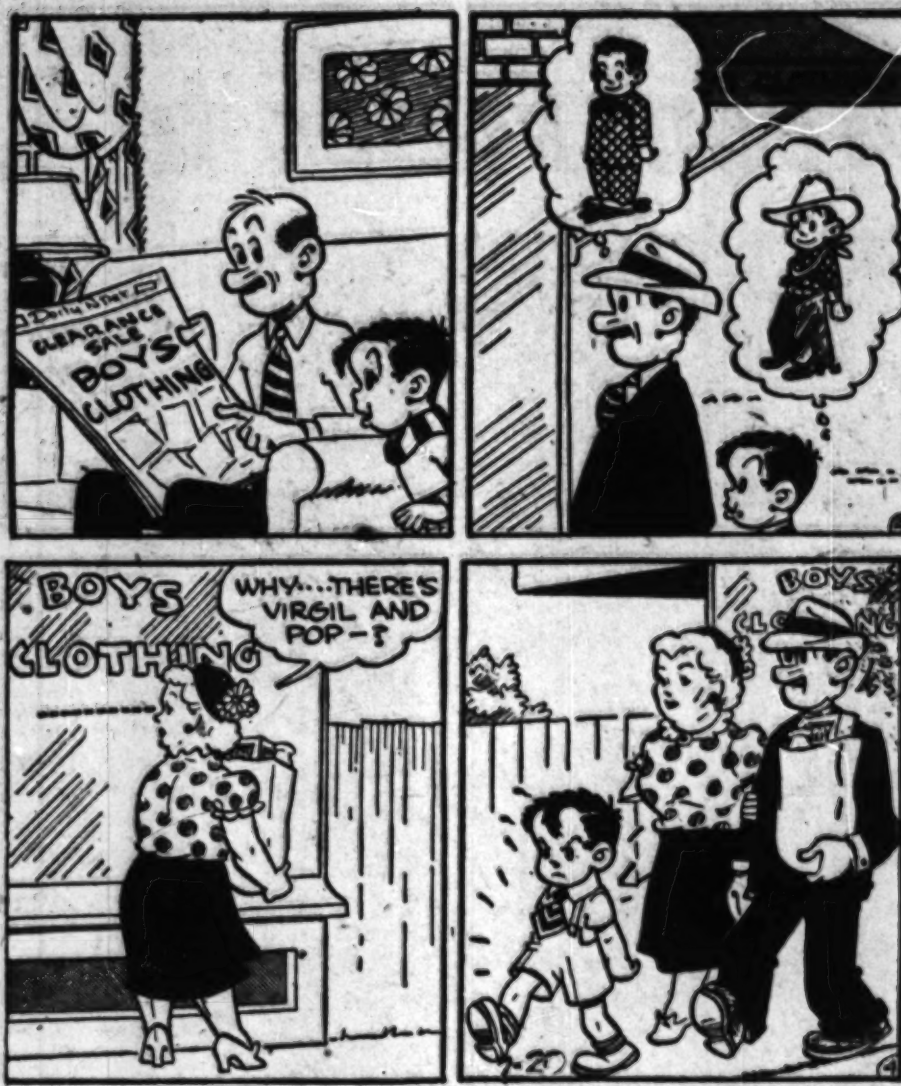
It is this role of betrayal in the name of revolutionary and Socialist ideals that Tito is now playing. And the State Department considers it not only important to finance to the hilt this alleged apostle of Marxism, but is determined to encourage Titoism in other countries as a major mainstay of American imperialist penetration.

This, of course, is also the long-term weakness of the new Trotskyism. The tie-up is concealed.

No matter how many super-heated militant speeches Tito continues to make, it will be difficult for Yugoslavs and other progressives to believe that the State Department is subsidizing the Yugoslav government out of an academic interest in cultivating the purest and most revolutionary variety of socialism.

VIRGIL—Bargain Day

—By LEN KLEIS



## Letters from Readers

### Assails Workers

#### Conditions at Resorts

Bronx, N.Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I happened to work up in the Catskill Mountains this summer. The conditions of the resort workers in the hotels and bungalow colonies are almost unbearable. I slept in an attic without windows and was denied such things as lettuce and tomatoes with meals.

The two employment agencies in Monticello are covering up the miserable conditions at these places. The entire staff of the Evans Hotel quit one week because of the miserable food given the help. Though room and board are part of the pay, the help is given leftovers and starchy foods.

The Board of Health of Sullivan County and the State Department of Labor are silent partners of this system in the resorts. Many "alcoholics" are employed there because they have no home and dare not protest against the filthy sleeping quarters they are given.

The Hotel Workers Union in New York City should branch out and organize these upstate resorts.

In Port Jervis, N. Y., Negro resort workers cannot buy a beer or go to the dances held in the Park Lane Hotel. Jimcrow conditions exist throughout Orange and Sullivan counties.

—S. T.

### Praise for Yglesias

South Haven, Mich.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I would like to make a special point to tell you what splendid articles I think Jose Yglesias writes. The way he always hits the nail on the head is remarkable. Also, his style of writing is so proficient and saturated with that rare trait of warmth and friendliness. He should extend his thoughts through books as well as newspapers.

A. M.

## Press Roundup

**THE HERALD TRIBUNE**, under C. B. Allen's byline, reports that "this country is now geared for industrial mobilization in the event of war to a degree 'simply beyond comparison' with the situation that existed before its entry into World War II, officials of the Munition Board said yesterday." **THE HERALD TRIBUNE** had nothing to say about gearing the country for peace.

**THE SUNDAY MIRROR'S** Ruth Alexander is still weeping over the fate of a defeated Germany, yet she is extremely happy over the results of the recent elections which returned junkers, monopolists and outright Nazis to power in the Western Zone. "The first time the Germans had half a chance to speak up for freedom, they spoke up for it. . . ." Is she referring to the freedom to be Nazis?

**THE TIMES** wrote a plaintive editorial headed, "Let Us Stand Together." The Times is disturbed over the voluminous reports from England,

emanating from all political quarters, which reflect deep resentment against Marshall Plan policies and dollar dictatorship. "After all," the Times reminds England, "the real fight for survival is between the Communist and democratic worlds, and if we in the West start cutting each other's throats the only victor will be the bystander." England will doubtless be startled to learn it is cutting Wall Street's throat.

**THE NEWS** also editorializes on increasing British reactions to Wall Street foreign policy. The paper accuses the British of stepping up anti-American propaganda in time for the Washington Monetary Conference. "Do you suppose," asks the News, "the British this time will get their last full measure of revenge for the American Revolution? That is what they seem to be after; no more, no less." The News may not know it, but what the English are really doing is getting revenge for Julius Caesar's invasion of the British Isles.

# World of Labor

By George Morris

## They Stood Up to the T-H Law for Two Years

**THE CURRENT ISSUE OF CIO NEWS** delightfully runs a banner line saying "Line to take Non-CP Oath Forms at Left." Below it is a report on the recent compliance with Taft-Hartley affidavits by the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers and the Food and Tobacco Workers, and on the announcement that the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers would soon comply.

The CIO News digs up a quotation from a speech by James J. Matles, UE Organizational director, before the October, 1947, convention of the CIO. He then said it makes "me sick at my stomach" to read reports of the long lineup of unions to sign affidavits and that it reminded him of announcements of a "back-to-work movement." The CIO News further quoted that 1947 speech:

"We of the UE will not rush to that lineup for the simple reason that it is not a chow line. It is a lineup where they are dishing out poison. But if we are ever found in that line, we will be in the rear, and we will be squawking like hell. We will tell our people we are there because we were compelled to be because there were so many ahead of us."

**THESE WORDS** nearly two years ago were prophetic although the CIO News' purpose in recalling them is to give an impression that the left is "eating crow." The affidavit line remains a poison line. The UE is at the very end of the line. Only the Fur and Leather, Longshoremen's, Fishermen, Marine Cooks and Communication workers remain as non-compliers in the CIO.

The record is clear. It was not the companies, nor Truman's labor-hating NLRB boss Robert Denham, nor any of the Taft-Hartleyites who forced the UE and other unions to step up to the line. It was the CIO's rightwing leadership, notably Walter Reuther, John Green and others of the unions that engage in the scabby business of raiding, and, of course, Philip Murray, who encouraged them.

Almost all the left-led unions have defied the union-busters and their friends in labor ranks, for more than two years. Very few even in left ranks thought two years ago that left unions would be able to stand almost alone as long as they did. To jeer at people who are finally forced to retreat some after a long courageous fight, in order to save their organizations from the treacherous knife of "sister unions," is like jeering strikers who go back to work without a victory after being out two years.

No less revealing of the narrow minds of the chairwarmers in CIO national headquarters is the effort to compare signing of affidavits in 1947 to signing them in 1949. In 1947, it was treacherous to do so because labor was hopelessly rallying its forces for repeal and looking to the next election. Hope was mounting for success. Any yielding to the law then was knifing the fight to repeal and the chances of making Taft-Hartley the issue in the elections.

**TO THE EVERLASTING CREDIT** of the left unions, they held up the uncompromising banner until the faintest flicker of immediate repeal was extinguished several weeks ago.

But our labor histories will always record that the do-nothingism of the rightwingers or fear to do anything more drastic than to see a politician, defeated the repeal movement. When victory seemed very near, these rightwingers depended entirely on the administration, and threw away the fight.

With the responsibility for breaking the "strike" against the Taft-Hartleyites so definitely and clearly at the door of the AFL and CIO rightwing leaders, it ill becomes any of these gentlemen to do any gloating.

Let no one think, however, that the enemies of labor will from now on accept all signers of affidavits as people who paid their debts. They will not change their lists. The designation "L" will remain in front of any name whose owner didn't prostrate himself before the god of thought control and turn into a Quill-Curran type of stoolpigeon.

The basic difference will still remain as between those who think they could really adjust themselves comfortably to the Taft-Hartley Law and those who realize that in the final analysis it is not the good graces of the NLRB that wins for workers, but their own strength, unity and militancy. Only the latter could be really counted upon to fight for the workers and for T-H repeal.

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## Violence at Peekskill

**THE WOULD-BE LYNCHING OF PAUL ROBESON** by a Peekskill, N. Y., mob can mean to America what the burning of the books in Berlin, 1933, meant to Germany and the world.

Let no American delude himself into thinking that this was a local affair with local significance only.

This would-be lynching, this burning of books and music to the accompaniment of savage yells against "Jews and N—rs" marks the carefully organized effort to impose police state terrorism in the U.S.A. against the entire Negro people and the nation as a whole.

Did not the New York Times, leader of American journalism, covertly justify the violence of the Peekskill



CLARK

mob by asserting that they were merely acting against a group declared "subversive" by Attorney General Tom Clark (now Supreme Court Justice)?

Thus, the Times and the mob are united in their understanding of the government's "subversive list" as a list of approved victims of Storm Trooper force and violence.

That is how it was understood and acted upon by the officials of the Peekskill police, the State Troopers who stayed away, the American Legion, the KKK, the Dewey-GOP political machine and certain members of the Catholic hierarchy.

Thus, the force and violence of the Peekskill mob had its inspiration and sanction in the highest circles of the government, in the White House's "cold war."

**WHAT WAS THE TARGET** of the Peekskill violence?

The 14,000,000 members of the Negro community in the U.S.A.

The mob struck at Robeson because he speaks the determination of the Negro people to abolish "white supremacy" oppression, because he asserts the refusal of the Negro people to support a Wall Street-planned war to impose "white supremacy" imperialism on the world.

But in warning the Negro people first that they must submit to the planned World War III or face lynchings here at home, the pro-war mob is following the pattern used by the Nazis in preparing Germany for war.

That pattern is to silence the nation as a whole by first assaulting the Jews, the Negro people, the Communists, etc.

In striking at Robeson and the Negro people, the Peekskill mob was carrying into action the provocations of the Foley Square anti-Communist frame-up and the rising violence against the Negro people throughout the nation.

The trial of the books at Foley Square became the burning of the books at Peekskill, N. Y.

**WILL OUR COUNTRY REPEAT** the terrible mistakes made by the German trade unions, the German liberals, etc., when they permitted Hitlerism to seize the nation step by step? When they could not recognize the danger to the entire nation in the violence used first against the Communists, Jews and other minorities?

The Peekskill riot confronts every democracy-loving citizen with these compelling questions.

Passivity encourages the cliques who would destroy the American Constitution and bring to America a form of fascist suppression. This is the hour for Americans to stand up and defend their traditional liberties against imitation-Storm Troopers defiling the name of patriotism.

Elsewhere in this paper are listed the actions every citizen can take to defend American political liberty.

No man or woman can shrink from joining in this fight.



## As We See It

**What the Newspaper Headlines Hide**

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON



**FOR A LONG TIME** I have been planning a book to be entitled "How to Write History." Recent events in the nation's capital and in a courthouse at Foley Square, in New York suggest that now is an excellent time to dash off a chapter. The first problem which a would be history

writer must solve of course is that of perspective. He must see events in their proper relationship, avoiding the mistake of being unduly influenced in this respect by superficial appearances. In other words he must not be misled by newspaper headlines of the period under study. But on the other hand he cannot ignore them because they are the surface ripples which betray convulsions below.

To make my meanings clear, let us take a contemporary week—last week for example. Let us apply my patented Hall news seismograph (which every would be history writer should have) in order to measure accurately the disturbance indicated so shadowy by the headlines.

**THE NEWS STORIES** featured prominently were roughly as follows:

• The five percenter inquiry conducted by a Senate committee revealed that, presumably in exchange for deep freezers and similar gifts, the President's military aide, a Missourian named Harry Vaughan, pulled Presidential strings to get a smalltime perfume manufacturer and his associates into restricted areas of Europe at the end of World War II.

• A House Committee completely absolved high air force officials and the Defense Secretary of any favoritism in deciding to spend billions of dollars for a certain type of bomber manufactured more or less exclusively by the plane corporation in which the Defense

Secretary until recently held a directorship.

• A member of the federal jury which will pass judgment on the Communist leaders facing serious charges was exposed at not at all impartial but a sworn and blindly prejudiced enemy of the social and economic changes advocated by these Communists. The presiding judge held in effect that this juror's Nazi-like obsession did not disqualify him from the jury nor make the trial unfair.

• President Truman told a Miami convention that U.S. taxpayers must provide more than \$20 billion for the cold war, including \$1.5 billion to arm western Europe, because the Soviet Union "forces" us to spend this money.

**THE MEANING OF POINT** one is clear. There are smalltime operators in the White House who conduct themselves in the sordid and shabby manner of the Pendergast gang from which they spring. A smalltime perfume manufacturer found it probable to exploit this situation in order to share modestly in the spoils which under capitalism go to a conquering power in a postwar world. Other and similar operators utilized the same connection to dip into that fabulous trough of government wealth known as "surplus property" or "war assets."

The history writer should appreciate that the firms of Morgan, Rockefeller, Dupont and Dillon-Reed did not need to grease their way with expensive gifts to get their representatives into the booty zones of Europe. Their men were

already there, as ranking officials of the State, Defense and Treasury departments. In charge of operations they were in an excellent position to make whatever arrangements the profits of their principals required.

United States Steel did not need a five percenter like Johnny Maragon or Jim Hunt to arrange for an audience at the White House or for their purchase of war plants through the War Assets Administration. They made their deals "legally" at cabinet levels and bought these factories, it goes without saying, at a fraction of their original value. Of course all deals involving more than a million dollars had to be approved by the Attorney General; but does any one think Tom Clark would have vetoed a contract involving such important personages as the executives of U.S. Steel?

**THUS, WHEN ONE** scrutinizes the B-36 inquiry he is not surprised that in contrast to the five percenter probe, the House inquiry resulted in complete "exoneration" of Defense Secretary Johnson and the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp. After all, this corporation is a big outfit, not to be compared with the puny capitalization of the Albert Verley Perfume Co.

Future generations, removed from the synthetic hysteria of our day, will be far more shocked by Judge Medina's stamp of approval on Juror Janny than by Harry Vaughan's interest in perfume and surplus property. The history writer must be aware of this, despite (Continued on Page 5)



# Ford Speedup Claims 2 More Lives

By William Allan  
DEARBORN, Mich., Aug. 28, James McArdle, who worked in Ford's Motor Building, River Rouge, died of heat prostration this week. Jim had tried to tell the foreman that he couldn't go on anymore, but he couldn't make the foreman understand. Jim was a deaf mute.  
The foreman said, "Work." Twenty minutes later Jim McArdle was dead.  
Death and speedup scored another victory in the Ford plant when Willie Thomas, 40 year old

worker was burned to death in the Plastic building.  
Thomas was working on his job as a breakdown man on the huge Holcroft Heat Treat furnaces. His co-worker Ellis Griffith reported that a basket of stock was stuck in the bottom of the quenching tank of the furnace and it was necessary to drain the tank of oil and remove the basket.  
Willie Thomas, went into the tank, which still had plenty of oil clinging to it.  
**CLOTHES IGNITED**  
While there, a flame shot from

the upper furnace and ignited the tank and Thomas' oily overalls.  
Thomas jumped through the other side of the tank and ran up the aisle for 40 feet before he dropped. Flames were wrapping themselves around him as all his clothes blazed. He died of third degree burns.  
Workers on the job claim that there has been trouble recently because the bottoms of furnaces have been falling out and this was because furnaces are being re-charged too fast.  
Thomas is reported to have said

to fellow workers shortly before his death that he did not know how he would make out that day with Stevenson the foreman pushing him the way he was doing.  
Grievances presented by the union in the past on hazards around the furnaces have been pushed aside by the company in its mad rush to "set new records."  
Every foreman is trying to set new records in order to improve his standing with Ford top brass. Results are that human lives are the cost.

## Headlines

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the fact that today's editorials denounce Gen. Vaughan and praise Medina. For the truth is that Vaughan's operations, defended as they are by Truman, are merely pimples on the face of the capitalist corpus. The Medina decision bespeaks a deep underlying cancerous condition threatening the entire body of democratic institutions.  
We are now prepared to understand the full implications of Truman's Miami speech. All the capitalists, from the inconsequential David Bennett of the Verley Co. to Floyd Odum of Consolidated and Benjamin Fairless of U.S. Steel, are bent on conquest of the world by and for American business. They may differ as to how much the government should spend on the adventure this year or next but they have no differences on the desirability of the adventure.

THE LION'S share of the billions will go of course to U.S. Steel, General Motors, General Electric and similar great aggregations of wealth. This will not require the exchange of deep freezers or such petty bribes. The big corporations will appropriate the loot without breaking any of the rules, the reason, simply enough, being that the big corporations under capitalism write the rules.

The Communists on trial, however would like to show the American people that the rules ought to be rewritten—rewritten in such a way that we could live in a world where there would be neither little illegal graft nor big legal graft, and where there would be no wars cold or hot.

For the benefit of the would-be history writer I should like to point out that this is the really great struggle of which newspaper headlines are, if I may use the word, only an adumbration.

George Morris' World of Labor, a column reporting news and developments in the labor movement, appears daily in the Daily Worker and in the week-end Worker.

## Court Writ Bars Picketing to Protest Jimcrow

The Upper West Side Labor Youth League has been served with an injunction against its picket line in an attempt to cut off its fight against the Jimcrow hiring policy of the Park West Restaurant.

### Ask U. S. Help In Repatriating Polish Children

WARSAW, Aug. 28, (UP). — Poland formally has asked the United States to admit Polish representatives into refugee children's camps in the American zone of Germany.

A Government spokesman said the request was made in a note handed to the U. S. Embassy here.

The note said that "American authorities cannot reject responsibility for those Polish children who are under United States jurisdiction," the spokesman said.

The Polish press recently opened a series of attacks against the International Refugee Organization and Italian and American occupation authorities for the alleged "kidnapping" by the IRO of 150 Polish children.

### In Memoriam

In Memory of  
**GENE MORSE**  
1909 - 1948  
Comrade, Leader,  
Beloved Friend  
Carolina District,  
Communist Party

Beloved Comrade  
**GENE MORSE**  
Fearless Anti-Fascist  
Aug. 27, 1948  
ADELE, SID,  
EMIL, ROSE

We mourn the loss of our beloved  
Daughter and Sister  
SYLVIA (Kasinowitz) TOMASH  
died August 1948  
Mother, Sister and Family

In memory of my beloved  
wife and friend  
FRITZI  
died Aug. 29, 1948.  
HARRY WARTELL

### Confer in Capital on Reich Anti-Semitism

The Joint Committee to Combat Anti-Semitism announced yesterday that a delegation representing fraternal and labor organizations will confer with Col. Hambleton, Assistant to the Deputy Office of the Under-Secretary of the Army, on anti-Semitism in Germany.

The joint Committee includes the American Jewish Labor Council and the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order.

### Italians Won't Fight USSR, Says Nenni

MOSCOW. — The reactionaries who head Italy's government will not succeed in getting the Italian people to support a war against the Soviet Union, it was declared Friday by Pietro Nenni, head of the Italian Socialist Party. Nenni was among the speakers at the All-Soviet Conference of Peace Partisans. He declared President Truman was a "little Napoleon" who "immediately after the war would have liked to follow Hitler's example."

Nenni stated that he had been "commissioned" by millions of Italian workers farmers and intellectuals who oppose the Atlantic pact to tell the conference that democratic Italians "do not consider a third world war inevitable and will not support such a reactionary war."

In addition to the American Negro historian, Prof. W.E.B. DuBois, another American Negro, actor Wayland Rudd, who now is a Soviet citizen was among the delegates.

## More CIO Unions Join Autonomy Parley List

Labor support for the "Conference on Democracy and Autonomy in the CIO" is mounting steadily as the Aug. 30 meeting at Manhattan Center draws near.

Latest endorsements come from the joint board of the United Public Workers consisting of all UPW locals in New York, and the executive board of Local 30, United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO. The executive board and membership of Furniture Workers, Local 140, has backed the conference, as well as the executive boards of all locals of the Fur Dressers and Dyers Union.

Charging that the dictatorial policy of the CIO executive board majority is destroying the democratic principles "which enabled CIO to achieve tremendous advances in the struggle for labor's rights," the Call to the Conference declares in part:

"The growing disunity within CIO because of this attempt to destroy trade union democracy plays into the hands of the employers and the most reactionary anti-labor forces of big business.

It undermines an effective, united struggle by labor to repeal the Taft-Hartley Slave-Labor Law. It undermines labor's fight against high cost of living and for wage increases. It undermines the struggle against the growing speed-up and against the attempts of big business to destroy the workers' standard of living.

Sponsors of the conference include Joseph Kehoe of the American Communications Association; Ruth Young of UE, District 4; Severino Martinez, Assistant Regional Director, Food and Tobacco Union; C. E. Johanson, National Union of Marine Cooks & Stewards; Louis Braverman, Local 222, Marine and Shipbuilding; Al Pezzatti, Regional Director, Mine, Mill and Smelter; John Hoh Local 69, Brewery Workers; Aaron Schneider, Regional Director UOPWA; Jack Bigel, UPW, N. Y. District; Sam Burt, Fur Dressers & Dyers; Alex Sirota, Local 140, United Furniture Workers; Don Smith, Sub-District Director, Packinghouse; Isador Rosenberg and Fileno De Novellis Joint Council 13 Shop Workers.

### New Harvester Parley Asked

CHICAGO — Aug. 29.—With complete returns of a national strike vote covering 40,000 International Harvester employees better than five to one in support of a stoppage if necessary, the CIO Farm Equipment Union called on the company for a peaceful settlement.

The strike votes authorized the union's National Harvester Workers Council to call a strike if necessary to enforce wage and other economic demands.

Plants affected are located in Chicago, Rock Island, East Moline, Rock Falls and Canton, Ill.; Richmond, Ind., Louisville, Ky., and Auburn, N. Y. An estimated 85 percent of all U. S. produced IH farm implements are manufactured in these factories.

The union is asking a substantial general wage increase, development of an adequate pension system, a company-paid insurance and welfare program, and a 35-hour workweek without take-home pay reduction.

### Beauty Parlor Pay

Average weekly earnings of workers in beauty service establishments in New York State were \$35.25 in 1948, according to Industrial Commissioner Edward Corsi of the State Department of Labor. Average weekly hours were 40.6 in 1948 and 40.7 in 1947.

## Classified Ads

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No advertisement will be accepted for insertion in the Daily Worker or the Worker whose accommodations or services are not available to everyone, regardless of color or creed.

**ADVERTISEMENT DEPARTMENT.**

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CAR LEAVING FOR LOS ANGELES, 18th of Sept. Desire couple, share expenses; help driving. Call SU 7-7888, Wilson, 8-8 p.m.

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## WALLACE ASKS PROSECUTION FOR INCITERS OF ATTACK

FALLSBURGH, N. Y., Aug. 28.—Prosecution of those responsible for the lynch mob attack in Peekskill on the Paul Robeson concert was urged today by Henry Wallace, Progressive Party leader, who is staying here at the National Leadership Institute of the Young Progressive Educational Foundation.

"The way of violence," said Wallace, "is not the American way. I deeply regret that a town in Westchester County where I now live should join Evansville, Ind., on the roll of shame. I thought New York was immune to this kind of thing, and I am sure that the state authorities will take prompt action to investigate the situation and prosecute all those responsible."

## Robeson

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ica of the people" said Robeson, who, he added, want peace.

### NEGRO PEOPLE'S ROLE

Robeson was questioned by reporters how he relates his frequent reference to the struggle of the Negro people with the fight for peace.

Robeson said the Negro people, like the Jews in Europe would be the most oppressed victims if the fascist-inspired pro-war forces win.

"The Negro struggle has become the very base of the struggle for democracy in America," he said.

Robeson also referred to the trial of the 12 Communist leaders as part of the pattern of war.

"It is not from the 12 Communist leaders that we can expect the overthrow of the American government, but they'd better watch the fascists like those at Peekskill," the Negro leader warned.

Questioned on his own plans, Robeson said.

"I was a football player of parts I was in the struggle where it is tough. I was in Spain when they fought fascism with sticks and stones. . . . It is not likely that I will be scared away by a few Legionnaires."

The newsmen also heard eyewitness accounts of the violence from Sylvia Kahn, of People's Artists, who was beaten by several of the hoodlums as he tried to enter the concert grounds, and from Virginia Muir, of the Slav Congress.

## N Y Communists

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outgrowth of the fascism-breeding state-ment continued, "is a direct policies of the Truman Administration elected to office by pledging to defend civil rights.

"The Truman Administration and its Republican 'loyal opposition' has organized the frameup of the 12 leaders of the Communist Party through the Department of Justice on the lying charge of 'advocacy of forcible and violent overthrow of the U. S. Government.'"

The statement, which was signed by William Norman and Robert Thompson, declared that "the Truman administration has fomented the most widespread and lawless force and violence of the Ku Klux Klan, the American hierarchy, by its anti-Communist hysteria, loyalty witch-hunts and 'subversive' lists."

"This force and violence is designed to throttle every voice for peace and democracy in the U.S.A. and the main brunt of this fascist stormtrooper activity is directed against the Negro people."

"No American can keep his own democratic rights unless he fights to defend the rights and the lives of the Negro people."

## Spends \$100 Million to Fight Social Measures

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 29 (FP).—Since its founding the Committee for Constitutional Government, big business anti-labor propaganda arm, has spent \$100 million on its operations, the St. Louis Labor Tribune, AFL newspaper, charged in an editorial.

## Soviets Commemorate Goethe Bicentennial

LONDON, Aug. 28 (UP).—The Soviet Union called the bicentennial of Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe's birth as "a major event in the world of culture," Moscow radio said today.

At the same time, Moscow radio charged the western world with "weaving a false legend" around Goethe's name.

"The present-day falsifiers of history, the businessmen of the Anglo-American pseudo-science, speak of Goethe as a world citizen, indifferent towards the destiny of his native land and as a cosmopolitan whose works were allegedly alien to German national character and national principles," the broadcast said.

"Such cynical and brazenly speculating legends are, of course, doomed to failure."

## CP Says

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and indignant protest—before it is too late.

We are sure that labor, the Negro people, the Jewish people, and the vast majorities that supported Franklin Roosevelt don't want Wall Street's kind of America. More to their liking is the America Paul Robeson fights for—and that is why Paul Robeson was scheduled to be lynched.

Saturday night in Peekskill was anti-Communist night.

That's what every night would be like in an America where the Communist Party had been outlawed, and with it the Bill of Rights. That is the warning that must be heeded, and the challenge that must be met.

One need not be a Communist, or pro-Communist, to hate Saturday night in Peekskill, and to unite in action with all who will work to keep every night from being like that.

For so great and common a purpose, all democratic and peace-loving Americans can and should unite.

We do not see how anybody who professes to uphold democracy can keep silent. Surely, the leaders of the AFL, CIO and all labor groups must now speak out. Mrs. Roosevelt, Herbert Lehman, Mayor O'Dwyer, Newbold Morris—can they and others like them still keep silence?

But above all it is the people who must speak, united, and act! Demand immediate action by President Truman, Attorney General McGrath, Gov. Dewey to punish the guilty and protect the civil liberties of the people!

Demand death to the lynchers and punishment of all guilty of violating the rights of the Negro people!

Demand an end to the Foley Square frame-up, the Truman loyalty oaths, and the Clark "subversive" lists!

Build the united front of non-Communists and Communists for equality, democracy, peace and progress!

National Committee of the Communist Party  
WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, Chairman,  
EUGENE DENNIS, General Secretary.

Press Roundup, a summary of editorial comment in the metropolitan press, appears each day in the Daily Worker.

# Lynch Mob Runs Amuck At Paul Robeson Concert

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standing several ranks deep before the entry and exit.

They organized a traffic jam when a parade they fostered, marched, with bugle and drum corps, on one side of the road. Their cars filled the other side, outside the grounds.

Several thousands coming in cars and busses crawled inch by inch out of Peekskill toward the grounds. The occupants did not know what was happening on the picnic grounds itself.

They had to continue down the highway, past the scene, most not knowing they had passed the place. No police lifted a finger during the crucial two hours from 8 to 10.

Little bands from inside the grounds made their way through woods to telephones and notified Dewey's office, the attorney general, the state police, the local police.

But no relief came until after 10. Then the scattered contingent of state police who did arrive directed traffic. Others shot flares into the sky and lit up the grounds so they could search for bodies that might still be lying on the ground.

### NO ARRESTS

At 1 a.m. the sergeant in charge of the state police told me he had arrested nobody, and had taken nobody into custody for questioning.

Many hoodlums were still around, lurking on the highway, but not one was arrested.

How the state police responded can be seen in the story of Aaron Kramer, 79-11 47th Avenue, Queens. He is a member of the Young Progressives of America who served on the grounds committee. Others told me similar accounts.

"I called the cops shortly after 8 the first time," Kramer said. "I got out of the trap and made my way to the home of a caretaker of the grounds, or something."

"I called Lakeland 3000. I think that's the Putnam County Post of State Police."

"They asked me how they could get into the grounds. Funny, a state police asking me. Said someone would be over in a short time. Nothing happened."

### ANOTHER BRUSH-OFF

"Shortly before 9 I asked for the police again. I got a brush-off. I called a third time, the line was busy. But the telephone operator connected me with Hawthorne Barracks Troop K. While I was calling them, the owner of the property took the phone over, and pleaded that they come to protect his property. He told the state police if these people inside the grounds are supposed to be Communists, then the so-called Americans were attacking the Communists."

He also called up half a dozen people in the community to help get police and an ambulance. He was very mad. He said to somebody on the phone: "You know what these Legion people do when they have a parade, it isn't very American!"

Kramer, who was one of those trapped in the picnic grounds, said that the man who was stabbed was knifed by the mobsters. "Our people came to hear a concert. It is nonsense that any carried any weapons. In the dark, during the attack, I saw plenty of mobsters hit their own people with rocks and clubs. The man who was stabbed was certainly stabbed by them."

Miss Virginia Muir, of 205 E. 42nd St., told me a typical story. "There was a woman there with an 8-months old baby, with her husband. Several women marched arm in arm to the gates to try to get her out. There was a sheriff

there, with a badge, I think somebody called him Sheriff Rascoe. They begged him to allow the woman with the baby to get out. The sheriff replied: "Why did you come here in the first place?"

The Negro seaman said it was "wonderful" how the white and colored stood together, "locked arm in arm," holding back these "Kluxers."

It was. Doubtless many more would have been badly hurt, or killed, had it not been for the impromptu defense they organized.

There were other stirring scenes of solidarity. Many who escaped, or who couldn't get into the grounds, drove their families home, and returned to the grounds. I saw many who live in the environs—like Mohegan and other nearby communities—do that. They came back, faced the vigilantes, and sought to do what they could.

### MIDNIGHT SCENE

After midnight I saw some enter the field, past lingering gangs of the vigilantes, to search for friends, or for anybody who may have been knocked unconscious. It was ironic, after midnight, to see the state policemen very efficiently comb the grounds—with flares exploding and lighting up the picnic grounds like a battlefield—looking for dead or injured. Had they come in time, had the authorities been willing, this would not have occurred.

"Then the gangsters threw the mother holding her baby over the barbed wire fence, after hitting her several times. Then they took pictures putting women in a car, supposed to show they're gentle with women. I saw a Negro cab driver take six women into his taxi and get them away from the trouble."

### DRIVER THREATENED

Miss Muir said he heard some of the legionnaires threaten the Negro cab driver: "We'll take care of you tomorrow."

Miss Muir also said she saw the vigilantes herd women into the nearby swimming hole, and say, "You know what you'll get if you come out."

Quincy Leon Cheatham, a young Negro seaman from Belzoni, Miss., who is in New York waiting for a ship, told me a typical story. More than a dozen others who were inside gave me similar accounts.

"I saw there was to be a Robeson concert so I was glad to go. I went out on a bus from the Ben Davis Club Youth Club at 2315 Seventh Ave."

"I had never heard Robeson sing and I was glad to get this chance."

He described how—at 7:30—a truckload of the hoodlums rolled up before the entrance and began yelling, "Reds, Go Back to Russia." Others shouted, "Hitler was a good man. He should have killed all Communists and Jews."

He told how 32 men, Negro and white, locked arms to repulse the vigilantes four times. "Then, when the Klan burned the cross, at eight o'clock, we sent back 10 men to the platform to protect the women and children."

### DEFENDED BABY

"I saw a woman with a baby in a car the mob was trying to overturn. I got in and put my coat around the baby because they were throwing rocks at the car. When I got out, 50 guys slugged me and fought me across the field. I got away from them and returned to our people."

"The fourth time they attacked we started singing, just before the police arrived. We were only 12 men, and we locked our arms and sang 'We Shall Not Be Moved.'"

I had been hit bad over the head, and I could hardly stay conscious, but I said to myself I have to stay conscious, I have to battle

this out. I remember we sang: 'We Are Fighting For Freedom; We Shall Not Be Moved.' I stayed conscious."

### LOCAL BACKGROUND

The background to the night of terror includes the local newspaper, the Peekskill Evening Star, state, county and township authorities, the Klan and some veteran leaders.

The concert was sponsored by Peoples Artists. Robeson had sung in this vicinity at similar concerts last year and the year before. The Peekskill Star, last Thursday, began a campaign of news-stories and editorials inciting its readers to violence.

A headline last Tuesday read: 'Robeson Concert Here Aids 'Subversive Unit.' The subhead: 'Is Sponsored by 'People's Artists' Called Red Front in California.' That referred to the notorious Tenny Committee, which has been disbanded by the state's electorate for its wild, fascist excesses.

An editorial that same day said, "The time for tolerant silence that signifies approval is running out."

Every day that week the newspaper continued to egg its readers on. Friday, after a number of prominent local residents had protested to Albany and to various local and county officials, the newspaper declared, in a front page editorial, that it opposed "violence."

### LEGION ACTIVITY

But, obviously, those organizing the terror knew how to read that. Throughout the week, a county assistant district attorney named Leonard Rubinfeld called various Legion leaders and others together. They organized a "parade," and a so-called picketline.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce, in Peekskill, and other business groups applauded their plans. They ignored the sturdy sentiment of many American Labor Party members, liberals and progressives who believed in the Bill of Rights and who formed a Committee of Eleven that wired protests to Attorney General Goldstein, County Executive Herbert Gerlach, and County District Attorney George Finelli. The committee represented the sense of the majority in the community who are shocked at the developments.

### PROMISED "ATTENTION"

County Executive Gerlach told the committee that the matter "will receive all necessary and proper attention from our law-enforcement department." At the same time he indicated he saw no reason why the so-called "parade" and "picketline" should not be held.

So he, like the State authorities, are fully responsible for the disgrace.

Thousands of Westchester residents are wiring Gerlach to prosecute the leaders of the veterans' organizations and others who fomented the attack. They are also demanding that Dewey call a special Grand Jury to investigate his own Attorney General's office, as well as county and local law enforcement bodies. Many are asking that indemnity be paid those who suffered injuries and whose cars were wrecked. They also insist that Attorney General, McGrath, in Washington, conduct an open hearing on this lynch violence.

Throughout Peekskill and Westchester County many citizens feel that the authorities must guarantee them the Bill of Rights. And that the shame of Saturday's event be erased by allowing Robeson, or any other artist, to sing anywhere he wishes.

"I thought this was New York, not Mississippi," many shamed residents of Peekskill say today.

They saw the Klan cross burn and stormtroopers go on the rampage.



## RADIO

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## MORNING

11:00-WNBC-Dr. Paul  
WJZ-Modern Romance  
WQXR-News; Prescott Robinson  
WNYC-1 Hear America Singing  
WQXR-News, Alma Detlinger

11:15-WNBC-We Love and Learn  
WQXR-Tello-Test

11:30-WNBC-Jack Berch  
WQXR-Against the Storm  
WJZ-Ten Malone  
WQXR-Gracie Glam

11:45-WNBC-John Larkin  
WJZ-Galen Drake  
WQXR-Rosemary

## AFTERNOON

12:30-WNYC-Midday Symphony  
WQXR-Kate Smith  
WNYC-Charles F. McCarthy  
WJZ-Variety Show  
WQXR-Wendy Warren  
WQXR-News, Luncheon Concert

12:45-WNBC-Aunt Jeany  
12:50-WQXR-Answer Man  
WJZ-North Sheldon Show  
WQXR-Helen Trent  
WNYC-Norman Brookshire

12:55-WNBC-Our Gal Sunday  
1:00-WNBC-Mary Margaret McBride  
WQXR-Luncheon at Gard's  
WJZ-Bauhaage Talking  
WQXR-Big Sister  
WNYC-Music

WQXR-News; Midday Symphony  
1:15-WJZ-Nancy Craig  
WQXR-Ma Perkins  
1:30-WNBC-Young Dr. Malone  
1:45-WNBC-The Guiding Light-Sketch  
WQXR-Your Marriage

WNYC-Weather Report; News  
WJZ-Dorothy Dix  
2:00-WNBC-Double or Nothing  
WQXR-Queen for a Day  
WJZ-Breakfast in Hollywood  
WQXR-Second Mrs. Burton  
WQXR-News, Record Review

2:15-WNBC-Perry Mason  
2:30-WNBC-Today's Children  
WQXR-Second Honeymoon  
WJZ-Bride and Groom  
WQXR-New Drama  
WNYC-Symphonic Minutes  
WQXR-Curtain at 2:30

2:45-WNBC-Light of the World  
WQXR-The Brighter Day  
WQXR-Musical Memory Game  
3:00-WNBC-Life Can Be Beautiful  
WQXR-The Tremaine  
WJZ-Fred Trueman  
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## Artists Are Working to Create A New Art for a New Country

By G. Balasz

BUCHAREST, Romania.—Six people are working before their easels and the only proof of their presence in the studio is the noise of their brushes. From the six blank canvases, the outline of the living models posing in the back of the room is rapidly emerging. The contours become alive and get expression. It is a peasant scene multiplied in six copies.

This collective studio belongs to the Ministry of Arts and is the first of its kind in our country. Six artists came there with the desire of getting rid of the influence of the formalistic school in which they were trained. They want to get a new vision and a realistic conception in their art.

After five months, the results became visible, as the driving power of their daily work was just this strong aim which made them undo everything that was false and deprived of humanitarianism in art. They want to get closer to man and to his of society and for his own transformation.

The walls are covered with all kinds of works in charcoal or oil; inspired by various themes: a woman peasant with a pencil in her hand, a view of the clearing of gardens and a painting entitled: "Comrades, these are the new ears of grain from collective farming!"

"The themes are in the majority inspired by the Economic State Plan," said one of the artists by the name of Maria Ulmu. "We were considerably helped in our work by the fact that we were able to work with living models. They were put at our disposal by

our trade union. Now, we endeavor to give to our work an air of genuineness that should not 'smell like the studio.'"

Indeed, in order to reconstitute the necessary peasant atmosphere for the theme on which they are working, the artists have put on one of the walls, a Romanian rug on which they have hung painted plates. The models are also dressed in the national costume of the Oasi County.

The fact that they are working collectively does not mean that the artists are all doing the same kind of work and this is a positive aspect of their work. They have only a common ideology, an unique spirit which must form the basis of every artistic creation inspired by daily realities.

"It all depends on man's nature," said Mariana Patrascu, another painter, "and to what degree he is able to adapt a new vision in his creative work. It will not be long until I will be able to pass from the formalism impressed upon me by the French School of Arts over to realism. This passing is due to the fact that I succeeded in understanding that art is valid only if it is intended for large masses of people and not only for a small circle of initiates. Therefore, it must be achieved in such a way as to be understood by masses of people. Concretely speaking, I endeavor to clear my conception which was a bit confused in the past. At the same time, I try to keep my quality as a colorist. I approach the themes in which our society is interested today; I pay attention to the drawing. I avoid strange effects of color and atmosphere and I stress the evocative gesture of the work."

I am very anxious to approach a simple art and at the same time to avoid its looking poor in quality."

The other artists of the studio have the same problems. Sometimes, discussions take place under the guidance of the painter Maxy, chairman of the trade union of arts or of the painter Ciucuenco, a member of the Commission of Artistic Creations who is in charge with this studio.

They discuss problems such as: truth and optimism in art; problems linked with the possibility of the achievement of a socialist realism in plastic art, etc.

Sorin Ionescu, one of the six painters, said:

"Contrary to a formalistic art which requires that the artist should be preoccupied only by elements of surface, such as socialist realism tries to make out of the harmonious interweaving of these elements the expression of a content of high principles."

Sorin Ionescu went on to say: "The new art must be free from everything that is morbid. It must be a constructive art. The new art synthesizes everything that was positive in the currents up to now and goes further on by enriching the creation of the most advanced ideology, the Marxist-Leninist conception. Therefore, the best guide is Soviet Art which has great realist-socialist achievements."

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## Book Parade

### Robert North's New Novel 'Revolt In San Marcos'

By Robert Friedman

SAN MARCOS could be any South American country which is ruled by landlords, army and the church, with every now and then a coup which changes the cast of leading players but scarcely disturbs the basic poverty and oppression of the masses.

Revolt in San Marcos, by Robert Carver North is a first novel which describes the development of Carlos, an Indian boy, into a leader of the revolution against the regime of Gen. Ronca.

Ronca had begun as a rebel against the oligarchy and had ended as a dictator using modern, fascist techniques to make even more oppressive the bondage of his people.

Where the author describes the life of a Latin American people in

**REVOLT IN SAN MARCOS**, by Robert Carver North. Houghton Mifflin, Boston. \$3.50. 433 pp.

a backward, militarist-clerical, semi-feudal economy. Revolt in San Marcos is at its best. But the latter half of the novel is little more than a stilted conversation piece in which is academically argued out the respective merits of "peaceful" democratic change and "violent" Communist upheaval.

When the revolution does come, Carlos chooses, unhappily, between the liberalism of his first employer, the wealthy Don Ricardo, who wished to replace Ronca with a replica of North American capitalism and the Communists. He chooses Don Ricardo.

When the Communists are assailed, Carlos expostulates that they seek a better world. When the reply is that they "use violence," he retorts that "all men use violence in the name of what is right."

**THE NOVEL ENDS** with the Communists allegedly violating their coalition with the liberals in a putschist attempt to seize total power. In order to forestall this development, Don Ricardo makes a deal with a new rightist group which has replaced Ronca, with the blessings of the American financier, Prettyman, whose grip on San Marcos has never slackened. This deal, Carlos greets with repugnance.

The book ends on a note of despair. More damning, it ends with a false equating of communism and reaction, muddying the political waters with a confused, distorted approach to the question of who uses violence against who.

North writes: "The great tragedy, it seemed to Carlos, was that all these different leaders and their followings had convinced themselves that only they were right. Ronca, Felipe Cuerno (the Communist leader-R. F.), Ricardo, Mr. Prettyman—they followed different roads, but held two things in common; each used some sort of violence to gain his ends, and each was certain that his way was the only true and righteous one."

We need hardly belabor the obvious point that the Prettymans, Roncas and Don Ricardos are, with the inevitable exceptions, cynically dedicated to their interests alone, using the jargon of their political creeds only as dust to throw in the people's eyes.

As against the enervating Gandhism preached by Revolt in San Marcos, the author offers only the vague platitudes of his hero: "If we dedicate ourselves to curing evils at home, and to building a free, united world—if we do these things, most men and women will be behind us. That is our only hope."

Yet the tragic irony of North's novel is that the picture he so



convincingly draws, in much of Revolt in San Marcos, of the misery which only basic social change can eliminate, argues for socialism and the party of socialism.

Revolt in San Marcos is clearly a political novel, in the most direct sense of the term. On its political clarity and purpose, then, it must primarily be judged. While the novel is free from crude red-baiting, and while it frequently testifies to the high purpose of communism, Revolt in San Marcos is scarcely an accurate picture of the methods of Communists nor, more important is it clear on the fundamental fact that violence is the weapon of the oppressing class and that it is used by the people only in self-protection.

### 'Immigrant Life In New York City'

**MUCH INTERESTING** information on the life of the immigrants who came to New York City during the four decades prior to the Civil War is provided by Robert Ernst in his *Immigrant Life in New York City, 1825-1863*. Including both familiar material and data gathered from original sources of the times, the author has presented a wealth of fact on the callous treatment of the new arrivals, primarily German and Irish during

**IMMIGRANT LIFE IN NEW YORK CITY, 1825-1863**, by Robert Ernst. Columbia University Press. New York. 331 pp. \$4.50.

this period, by employers and government both. There are chapters on tenement life, labor conditions, political, labor and social organizations, etc.

One illuminating incident described by the author followed the calling of a convention by the Negro population of the city in 1851 to map struggle for improving their lot. A Committee on the Social Condition of the Colored Race was formed. Negroes, who were then being supplanted by white immigrants in many trades, were still largely employed by hotels and restaurants as waiters. Negro waiters pioneered in fighting for, and winning (in 1853) a wage boost to \$16 a month, while white waiters continued to receive only \$12. When the white waiters held a meeting to consider ways and means of equalizing pay scales, a Negro delegate to their gathering offered the fraternal advice to his white fellow-workers to strike for an increase. There is more than one moral for this present period of advancing crisis and unemployment in that fragment from our labor history.—R. F.

### Book Notes

Current releases by Pocket Books (each 25 cents) include: *The Big Con*, by David W. Maurer; *The Case of the Empty Tin*, by Erle Stanley Gardner; *Circle C Carries On*, by Brett; *Kim*, by Rudyard Kipling; *So Well Remembered*, by James Hilton; *There Is a Tide*, by Agatha Christie (Pocket Books, 25 cents).

### Today's Films:

## 'Madame Bovary' Follows Story But Not the Spirit of the Book

By Jose Yglesias

**METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER** has made a movie, now called *Madame Bovary* which is something of a Flaubert potpourri. It features James Mason as Gustave Flaubert explaining to the court which tried the book what his novel is about. As he talks the story unfolds, true in outline to the book and yet by emphasis and deletions transformed into familiar Hollywood lore. We regret to say that James Mason doesn't know what *Madame Bovary* was about.

*Madame Bovary* is one of those novels whose plot is commonplace and which depend for their importance on the insights and

**MADAME BOVARY**. MGM Produced by Pandro S. German. Directed by Vincent Minelli. Screen play by Robert Ardrey. Based on the novel by Gustave Flaubert. With Jennifer Jones, Van Heflin, James Mason, Louis Jourdan. At the Capitol.

artistry of their writers. Flaubert, like Tolstoy in *Anna Karenina*, knew that the story of his adulteress was inseparable from her bourgeois milieu and its values, and the subtitle for his novel is *Mœurs de Province or Country Mores*. Like the movies of the Tolstoy novel the present version of *Madame Bovary* deletes the many petit bourgeois against whose cant and conventions the tragic story is played out. Or vulgarizes them.

But since Robert Ardrey has followed the novel there are incidents which although emerging darkly are more interesting and significant than those usually found on the screen. Thus, the scene in which Emma is seduced by a local aristocrat at the county fair while the bourgeois, scarcely concealing their interest in money, bombastically salute Agriculture, Industry, Commerce is the Movie's high point. Also the speech in which Emma fervently hopes that her child will be a boy, with all the poignant despair that it reveals of what it means to be a woman in bourgeois society, remains.

**BUT THESE MOMENTS** have importance in reference to the

novel not to the movie. In the Movie Emma is still the country girl who imagines herself in love with the doctor who comes to treat her father because his position and his city status are a magnet for her illusions. Once married and living in town, disappointed in her husband's love, she begins to chafe at the new limitations she finds there.

Inflamed by the books she reads, by one visit to a fashionable ball, she is plucked like a ripe apple by an aristocratic gallant of the district. Her passion is clandestine, she gets into debt, is deserted, and after a passage of time she has another affair. Finally engulfed in debt, disappointed in her lover and threatened with public disgrace, she commits suicide.

The movie ends thus except for a last scene in court in which Flaubert says a few more words about the characters, how Emma's death was received, and argues that there was truth in his story. This last scene provides as good a point of departure as any in the movie for showing how Flaubert's point was either misunderstood or deliberately distorted. For the novel, too, goes beyond Emma's death to tell how the story's other characters fared.

**IN THE MOVIE** the town's apothecary is shown as one of those who did not forget her but mourned her passing. Yet in the novel he is the man who best represents the petit-bourgeois of Louis Napoleon's time, the spouter of pseudo-scientific talk, the callous climber whose selfishness is liberally admixed with sentimentality. And who in the book's final ironic sentence receives The Legion of Honor. The others who in the movie solely appear indifferent to her death are actually those who fall upon her husband like vultures to collect their debts.

Otherwise what allows MGM's ad writers to say pointlessly but with faithfulness to the spirit of the movie, "Whatever Frenchwomen have, *Madame Bovary* has more of it," is the new emphasis given the novel's incidents. Jennifer Jones is prettier, certainly never wears glasses; the ball becomes a major scene in which Emma is, naturally, asked to lead the cotillion; and the lucid social portraits are blurred in-



into insignificance and made to represent simply Dullness or Routine. MGM has shown its respect only in giving it an opulent production—though Flaubert has said that he'd wanted to achieve in his novel a "mouse gray" tone—and they will no doubt be surprised to learn that all they've got is a "true confessions" story.

### Grant, Sheridan Make 'War Bride' Pleasant Comedy

**THE ROXY HAS** a new comedy with Cary Grant and Ann Sheridan called *I Was a Male War Bride* that is much funnier than its title would suggest. A broad farce of a French Captain and an American WAC caught in the toils of love and Army red tape it is always worth a chuckle and occasionally a belly laugh. It is less

**I WAS A MALE WAR BRIDE**. Twentieth Century-Fox, Produced by Sol C. Siegel. Directed by Howard Hawks. Screen play by Charles Lederer, Leonard Spigelglass, and Hagar Wilde. With Cary Grant, Ann Sheridan, Marion Marshall, William Neff. At the Roxy.

witty than boisterous and given other principals than Cary Grant and Ann Sheridan it would have been less successful.

The movie gets its title from the last moments of the picture when the two lovers, married after some extended sparring, find that legal provisions for "spouses" of Army personnel are only for females. It gives Cary Grant, adept at this sort of thing, an opportunity to register distress in almost every key. While Ann Sheridan, a healthy extrovert, is at home as a confident, efficient WAC officer.

Occupied Germany is not a very appropriate subject for farce but *I Was a Male War Bride* manages to keep its comedy inoffensive. It relies for content on the titillating possibilities of the situations in which the two principals are constantly thrown together. And its comic manner is visual—best suited for the screen—involving adventures that take the couple through some lovely German countryside scenery. The story tackles, too, some very old gags but in such good spirits that they are funny again, and in any case make for a pleasant, though not memorable, evening at the movies.

—J. Y.

### Movies:

## Briefly Noted

For a dozen years or more, plans have been afoot to film the life of Rudolph Valentino, great lover of the silent screen. The problem has always been to find an actor who could play the part of the Shiek. Now it looks as if we will have not only one film on Valentino, but possibly three. Producer Edward Small says his *Life of Valentino*, in the works since 1937, is on the point of production. Another independent, Jan Grippio, announces plans for a less literally biographical opus, *The Return of Valentino*. And 20th Century-Fox advises that it will star Tyrone Power in an as-yet-untitled picture about him. If any one of the three were good, that would be enough.

The Screen Publicists Guild (unaffiliated), Hollywood's press agents' union, has decided that its members need more publicity. They, they feel, are really responsible for developing the starring potentialities of the screen's luminaries and they want the world to know about it. So they have decided to package and sell a radio show called *Hollywood Starmakers*, proceeds from which would go to the union's welfare fund. (In view of the vast percentage of unemployed in the ranks at this

time, they can use it, too.) Modeled after *The Big Story* and other radio shows concerning exploits of newspapermen, Hollywood Starmakers would presumably include an interview with one of the press agents each week, followed by the dramatization of one of his experiences or achievements in the developing of star material.

Montgomery Clift has hopped to Berlin in 20th Century-Fox's *Two Corridors East* (formerly *Quartered City*), a film about the airlift, in which Paul Douglas will also appear. When he finishes, Clift returns to Hollywood to star in *An American Tragedy*, at Paramount, and/or *Look Homeward, Angel*, at the same studio. . . . Cary Cooper has sold the Alfred Hayes book, *The Girl on the Via Flaminia*, to Anatole Litvak and Leland Hayward, also for a Montgomery Clift starer, to be made in Italy.

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Brilliant Don Newcombe, the Brooklyn Dodgers' Negro rookie ace, hurled his second straight shutout at Ebbets Field yesterday afternoon, blanking the Pittsburgh Pirates 9-0 before 23,633 highly satisfied Flatbush partisans. Four Dodger homers helped make things easier for Don, who usually has the misfortune of working when Dodger batters are having an off-day.

While running his string of scoreless innings to 21, the brilliant Newcombe allowed only four hits and fanned six for a season total of 112. Although he walked five, Don was in trouble only in the sixth when two singles and a walk loaded the bases with one out. He got Ralph Kiner on a pop fly and Dixie Walker on a liner to left.

Home runs accounted for all except one Brooklyn run, three coming in the third as the Dodgers scored seven times, driving Bob

#### CARDS WIN TWIN, LEAD BY 2½

BOSTON, Aug. 28 (UP).—With Max Lanier hurling three-hit ball to rack up his first victory of the year, the St. Louis Cardinals downed the Boston Braves 7 to 1 in the nightcap of today's twin bill after capturing the opener 9 to 7. St. Louis' double triumph, while the Dodgers were winning but one contest, gave the Redbirds a two-and-a-half game advantage over the second place Dodgers.

Chesnes to cover. Following a single by Newcombe and walk to Pee Wee Reese, Duke Snider belted his 20th homer over the center field screen.

Jackie Robinson walked and Gil Hodges hit his 20th homer deep into the left field seats. Carl Furillo greeted Vic Lombardi with a single and Roy Campanella hit his 17th upstairs in left field. Campanella's long double and single by Furillo scored another run in the seventh and Billy Cox smote his eighth homer in the eighth for a record club total of 128.

NOTES: The Brooks take the Bucs on under the arcs tonight and a singleton tomorrow to close out the series.

Pittsburgh —000 000 000—0 4 2  
Brooklyn —007 000 11x—9 11 1  
Chesnes, Lombardi (3) and McCullough, Fitzgerald (4); Newcombe (13-6) and Campanella. Losing pitcher, Chesnes (5-10). Home runs—Snider (20th), Hodges (20th), Campanella (17th), Cox (8th).

#### U. S. Cops Davis Cup

FOREST HILLS, N. Y., Aug. 28 (UP).—Ted Schroeder and Pancho Gonzales, California tennis aces, wrapped the Davis Cup up for another year today when their victories in the concluding singles contests gave the United States a 4-1 triumph over Australia for the challenge round.

Husky, dark-haired Schroeder achieved his second victory of the round by defeating Frank Sedgman, Australian champion, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3.

Gonzales, national singles champion, won his second match of the round by beating little Billy Sidwell, No. 2 Australian singles player, 6-1, 6-3, 6-4.

### Henrich Hurt As Yanks Kayo Chi 8-7, 7-5

CHICAGO, Aug. 28 (UP).—The New York Yankees fattened their American League lead to three games today by beating the White Sox twice, 8-7, and 7 to 5, but they lost both Tommy Henrich and Johnny Mize through injuries. Henrich will be out of action for several weeks.

Henrich injured his back crashing into the rightfield wall in pursuit of a double by Charley Kress in the first inning of the first game. The second and third lumbar vertebrae processes were fractured and one displaced. He will be immobilized at Mercy Hospital for an indefinite time.

Mize injured his right shoulder diving to make a putout at first base in the first inning of the second game. He was not severely hurt and will be able to play against the Browns next Tuesday in all probability.

The Yankees rallied for six runs in the ninth inning to salvage the opener after Mickey Haefner, Sox southpaw, went into the last frame with a 7 to 2 lead. George Stinewiss singled for a starter and Joe DiMaggio hit a home run. Then Mize doubled and Hank Bauer singled, Mize pulling up at third. Max Surkont replaced Haefner and walked Johnson to load the bases. Charley Silveira singled, scoring Mize and Bauer and bringing in Billy Pierce to pitch. Gene Woodling grounded out as pinch batter for Vic Raschi, fifth Yankee pitcher, then Gerry Coleman tapped to Floyd Baker and Johnson was out at the plate.

Yogi Berra ran for Silveira and raced home with the winning run when George Metkovich, in center field, let Phil Rizzuto's single get away from him for an error.

The Yanks were never headed in the nightcap although outlit. Allie Reynolds was the winner over Randy Gumpert.

New York —000 100 106—8 13 1  
Chicago —110 200 030—7 10 2

Sanford, Buxton (1), Marshall (4), Page (4), Raschi (8), Lopat (9) and Silveira, Niarhos (9); Haefner, Surkont (9), Pierce (9) and Malone. Winning pitcher, Raschi, losing pitcher, Pierce. Home runs—DiMaggio.

(2nd game) (called end of 8th, darkness).

New York —002 110 30—7 9 1  
Chicago —000 100 31—5 10 4

Reynolds, Page (7) and Niarhos; Gumpert, Pieretti (8) and Wheeler. Winning pitcher, Reynolds (13-4). Losing pitcher, Gumpert (10-13).

### KENNEDY WINS NITECAP 4-2

The New York Giants split a doubleheader with the Cincinnati Reds yesterday, taking the second game, 4 to 2, after dropping the Polo Grounds opener, 10 to 3.

Monte Kennedy, rangy Giant lefty, gained his 10th victory of the season in the second game, called on account of darkness after seven-and-a-half innings.

The Giants clinched the game with three hits and a base on balls which netted three runs in the fourth inning. Herman Franks, called in from the bullpen staff to relieve the Giants' depleted catching corp, collected two hits.

Herman Wehmeier spun a four-hitter in the opener to gain his eighth triumph as the Reds walloped a quartet of Giant pitchers. One of the hits off Wehmeier was Bobby Thomson's 20th homer, which cleared the left field roof of the Polo Grounds.

(1st game)  
Cincinnati 015 200 020—10 12-0  
New York 000 110 010—3 4 3  
Wehmeier (8-3) Cooper; Zabala, Behrman (3), Hansen (4), Higbe (6) and Westrum. Losing pitcher, Zabala (2-1). Home runs—Litwhiler (7th), Thompson (21st).

(2nd game, called at end of 8th, darkness).  
Cincinnati —000 011 00—2 8 0  
New York —001 300 0x—4 8 1  
Lively, Erazut (4), Fanovich (7) and Howell, Cooper (7); Kennedy (10-10) and Franks. Losing pitcher, Lively (4-6).

#### GAMES TODAY

##### NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis (Brazle 13-6) at Boston (Voiselle 6-3) night.  
Pittsburgh (Chambers 9-4) at Brooklyn Banta 6-4) night.

Cincinnati (Raffensberger 14-13) at New York (Jansen 14-12) night.

Chicago (Leonard 5-15) at Philadelphia (Roberts 13-12) night.

##### AMERICAN LEAGUE

Washington (Harris 3-10) at St. Louis Fannin 5-10) night.

Philadelphia (Kellner 16-9) at Detroit (Trucks 15-10) night.

Boston (Masterson 4-6 and Parnell 20-6) at Cleveland (Garcia 11-5 and Feller 12-9)—two games.

### INDIANS NIP BOSOX 2-1 IN 11th, NITECAP CALLED

CLEVELAND, Aug. 28 (UP).—The Cleveland Indians today defeated the Boston Red Sox in 11 innings, 2 to 1, in the first game and the second game was called because of darkness in the fourth inning with the Indians ahead, 2 to 1.

A crowd of 73,982 saw Bob Lemon defeat Jack Kramer in the opener to win his 16th decision. Larry Doby scored from second with the winning run when Vern Stephens dropped a double play

ball at second.

Mickey Vernon hit his 15th home run in the fourth inning to open the scoring and the Sox tied it in the eighth on an infield single by Dom DiMaggio, an infield out, and Ted Williams' single off Joe Gordon's glove.

Doby doubled in the 11th with one out and Gordon was passed, Lou Boudreau hit a double play ball to Bobby Doerr, but Gordon broke it up and Doby scored with a head-first slide.

### Monday Morning Roundup . . .

The parent Brooklyn Dodgers have hung a price of \$250,000 on Montreal infielder Bobby Morgan.

Morgan, who's clouting the ball at a .360 clip and leading the International League, generally is acknowledged the outstanding shortstop in the minors. He has belted 19 home runs and has 109 runs batted in, is second best in his circuit.

Montreal officials claim the 25-year-old Morgan is "as good as any shortstop in the majors—if not better." They do not exclude the Dodgers' Pee-wee Reese.

Several Big league clubs already have inquired as to Morgan's availability. The St. Louis Browns were among those interested but the \$250,000 "price tag" quoted them by Brooklyn's Branch Rickey soon dampened their interest.

JIMMY FOXX, the former Philadelphia Athletics mauler, says he'll never forget Oct. 6, 1930, the day pitcher Burleigh Grimes did him dirt—and furnished him with his biggest major league thrill.

That was the day the Cardinals and Athletics hooked up in the third game of the World Series, each club having won two games. Grimes was opposing Lefty Grove at Sportsman's Park, St. Louis.

"Burleigh walked Mickey Cochran," Foxx recalled, "and then worked mighty carefully on me. Finally he came in with a curve ball and I hit it out of the park."

Those were the only runs of the contest and Philadelphia went on to win the next game and take the series.

"I'll never forget that wallop," Foxx said. "Of Burleigh did me dirt. He promised me a spit-ball but threw me a curve instead. I guess he would have been better off had he thrown that spitter."

JOHNNY MIZE, newest member of the New York Yankees, says the three best hitters he saw in his

12 seasons in the national league were Stan Musial, Enos Slaughter and Ralph Kiner.

"They were the best, unquestionably," Mize declared. "But if you ask me who the pestiest hitter was, I'd name Tommy Holmes of the Braves. Every time I looked up, that guy would be rounding first base."

THE EASTERN College All-Stars, in training for a game with the Giants at New York Sept. 1 probably are the best fed outfit in football. . . . Herman Hickman, 300 pound head coach at Yale and boss of the All-Stars, selects the daily menu personally and Herman is regarded as a real champion in the knife and fork league.

VINCE BORYLA, Denver University basketball star, is reported to have signed with the New York Knickerbockers for \$21,000 for two years. . . . Rip Rowan, Army fullback for three years, said Tommy Thompson of the Philadelphia Eagles is the best forward passer he's seen. . . . "In the All-Star game at Chicago he made us all look like small boys," Rowan said.

THE MIDDLEWEIGHT DIVISION, is the hottest in boxing at the moment with Robinson, Cerdan, Rocky Graziano and Charley Fusari still in the running for LaMotta's crown. . . . It figures to remain the hottest, too.

Joe DiMaggio fans hope to give the Yankee Clipper a "day" to surpass anything yet staged in baseball when the Red Sox come to town on Oct. 1 for the next to the last game of the season. . . . DiMag has the greatest personal following in the game today and his "day" ought to be a dilly.

### MAJOR League Results

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

(1st Game)  
St. Louis 500 000 220—9 15 0  
Boston 032 010 001—7 10 2

Pollet, Wilks (3), Staley (9), and Rice; Spahn, Potter (7) and Crandall. Winning pitcher, Wilks (11-3). Losing pitcher, Spahn (16-11). Home runs—Musial (26th), Jones—2, 5th, 6th), Ryan (2nd).

St. Louis—010 010 230—7 10 0  
Boston —000 000 001—1 3 0

Lanier (1-3) and D. Rice; G. Elliott, Hall (8) and Crandall. Losing pitcher, G. Elliott (3-3). Home run—Jones (7th).

(1st game)  
Chicago —210 012 100—7 12 1  
Philadelphia 000 100 003—4 6 2

Lade (4-3) and Owen; Borowy, Simmons (6), Bicknell (8) and Seminick. Losing pitcher, Borowy (12-9). Home runs—Smalley (5th), Cavarette (7th).

(2nd game)  
Chicago —000 000 002—2 4 0  
Philadelphia 000 205 01x—8 15 1  
Adkins, Chipman (7) and Scheffing; Meyer (10-3) and Lopata. Losing pitcher, Adkins (0-3). Home run—Lopata (7th).

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

(1st game)  
Wash'ton 304 410 001—13 18 0  
St. Louis —100 001 000—2 8 0

Scarborough (10-10) and Early; Drews, Papai (1), Embree (3), Starr (5) and Moss. Losing pitcher, Drews (4-12). Home runs—Robinson (14th), Vollmer (14th).

(2nd game)  
Washington 010 000 020—3 7 2  
St. Louis —031 000 00x—4 6 0

Weik, Hudson (8) and Evans, Early (8); Kennedy (3-7) and Lollar. Losing pitcher, Weik (1-9). Home run—Lollar (8th).

(1st Game—11 Innings)

Boston —000 000 010 00—1 5 1  
Cleveland —000 100 000 01—2 8 0  
Kramer and Tebbetts; Lemon and Hegan. Home run—Vernon.

Philadelphia 010 120 000—4 8 1  
Detroit —003 300 00x—6 9 2  
Marchildon, Shantz (4) and Guerra; Houtteman (12-7) and Robinson. Losing pitcher, Marchildon (0-2). Home run—Mullin (10th).